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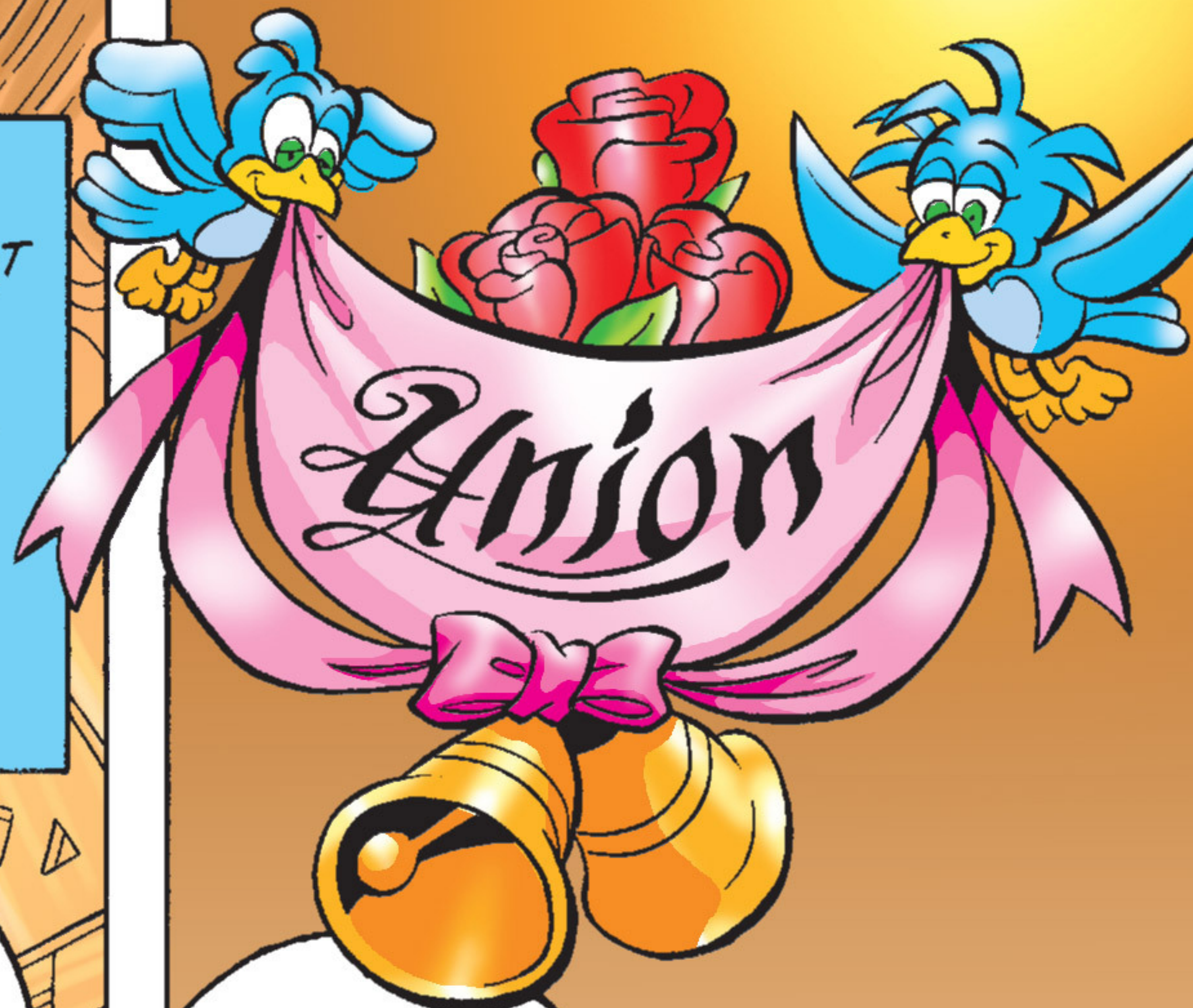
# SONIC

## THE HEDGEHOG

AND THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS HAVE BEEN FIGHTING THE BRILLIANT AND SINISTER DOCTOR EGGMAN FOR THEIR LIBERTY FOR OVER A DECADE. DURING THAT TIME, THEY'VE LOST SO MUCH, IT SEEMS ONLY RIGHT THAT THEY'VE BECOME CLOSER. ANTOINE D'COOLETTE'S MARRIAGE TO BUNNIE RABBOT COMES AS NO SURPRISE, NOR DOES IT THAT SONIC IS FOUND UNDER THE CARE OF HIS UNCLE CHUCK.

AND HERE I THOUGHT YOU WEREN'T ONE FOR TITLES, SONIC.

I'LL MAKE AN EXCEPTION ON THIS ONE, UNCLE CHUCK. IT'S NOT EVERY DAY YOU GET TO BE **BEST MAN** FOR YOUR BUDDY'S WEDDING.



BUT AFTER THE WHOLE THING WITH FIONA,\* I'M PRETTY HAPPY FLYING SOLO.

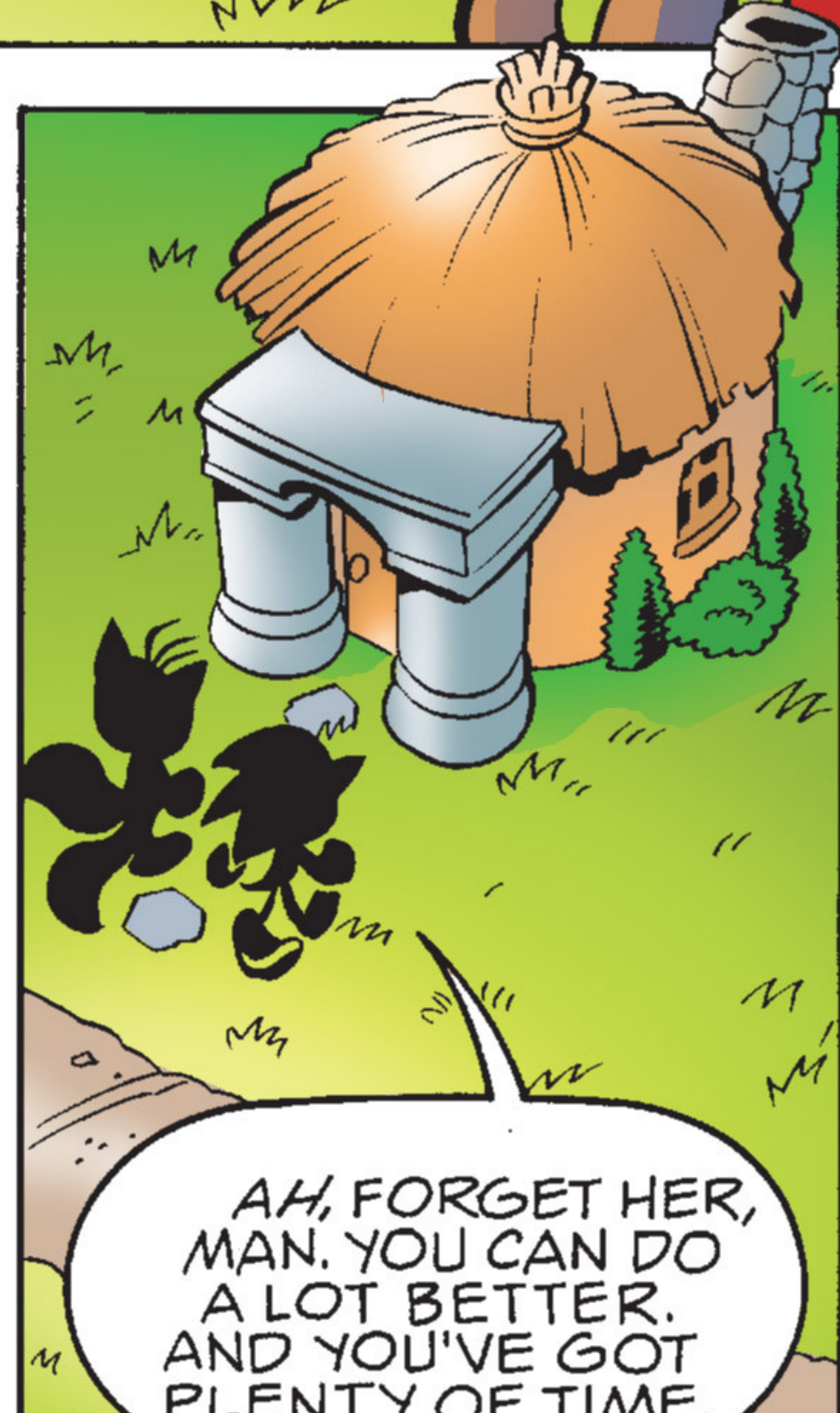
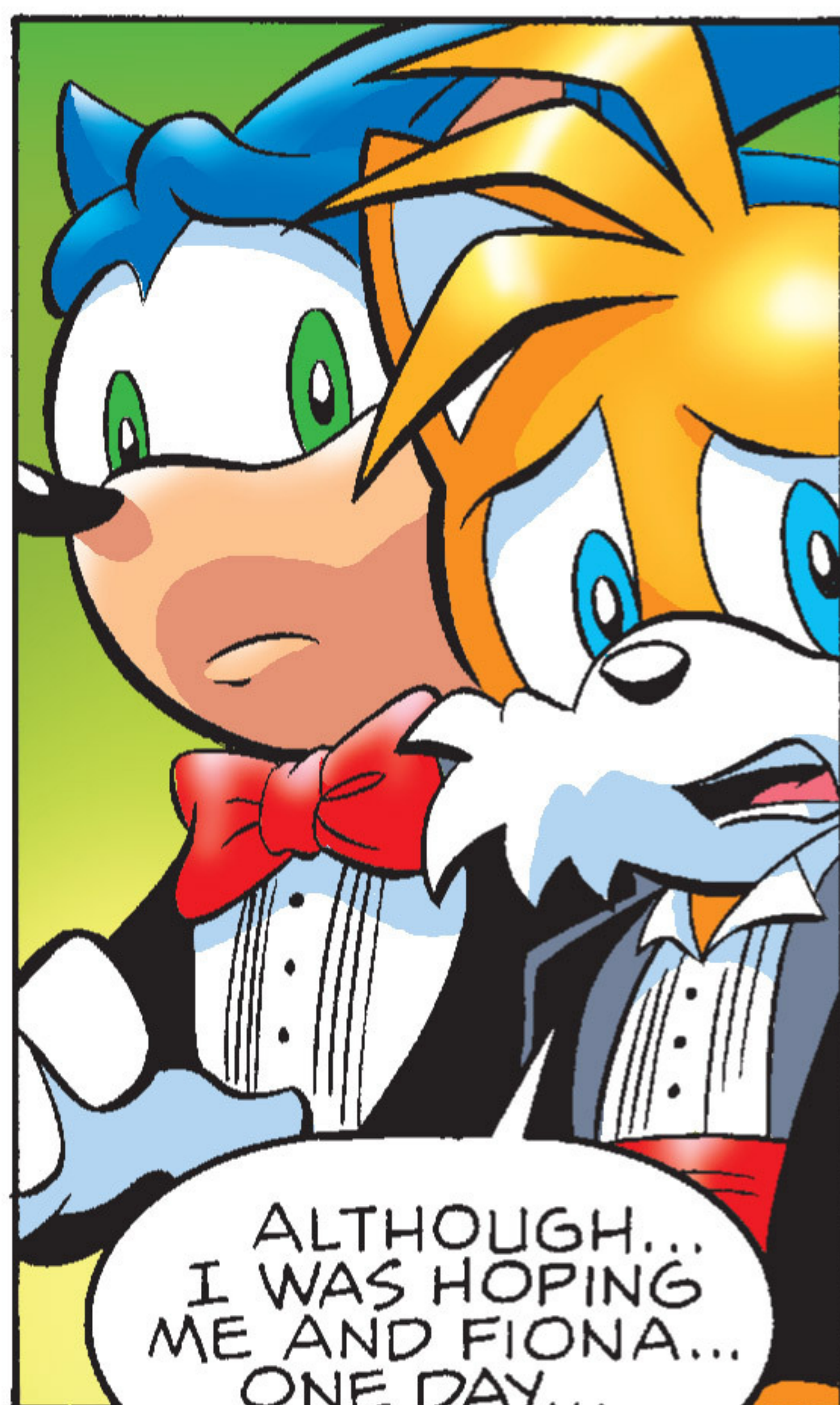
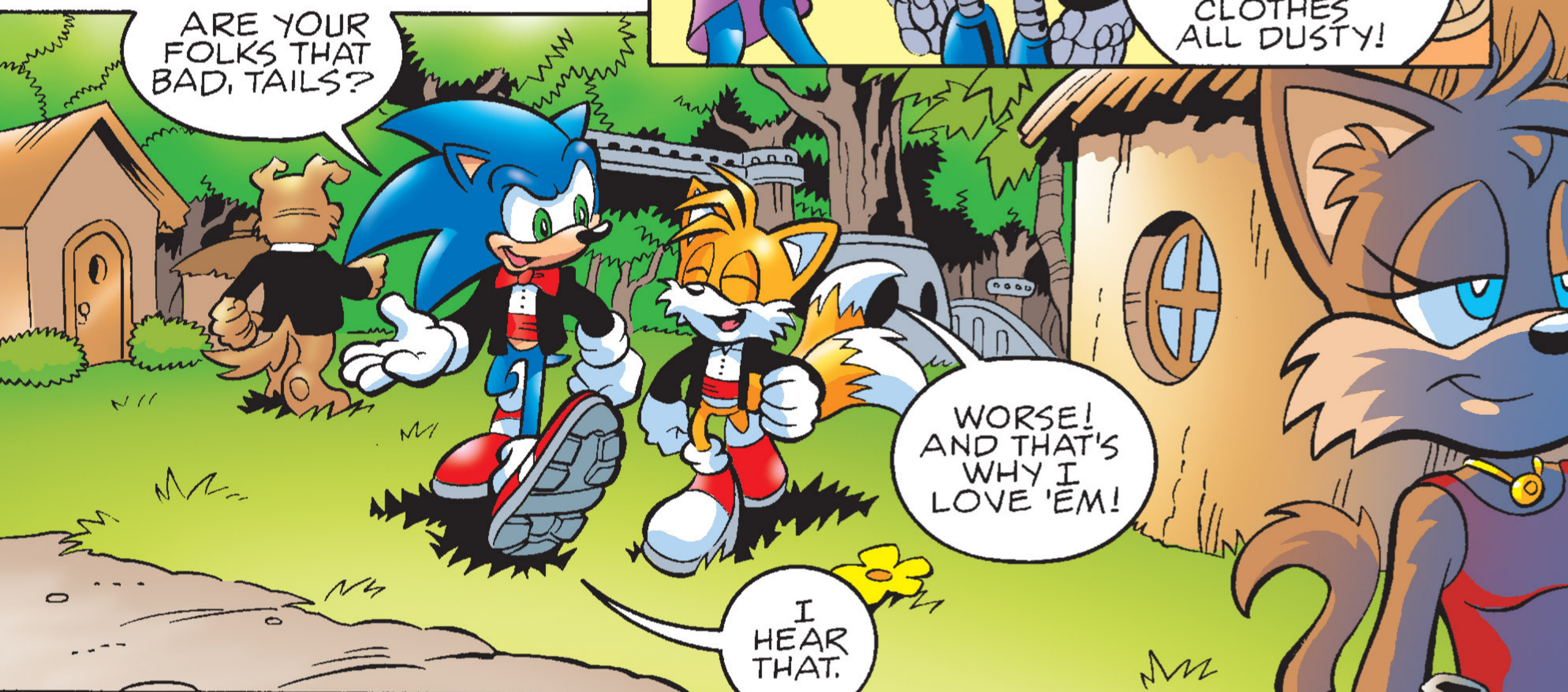
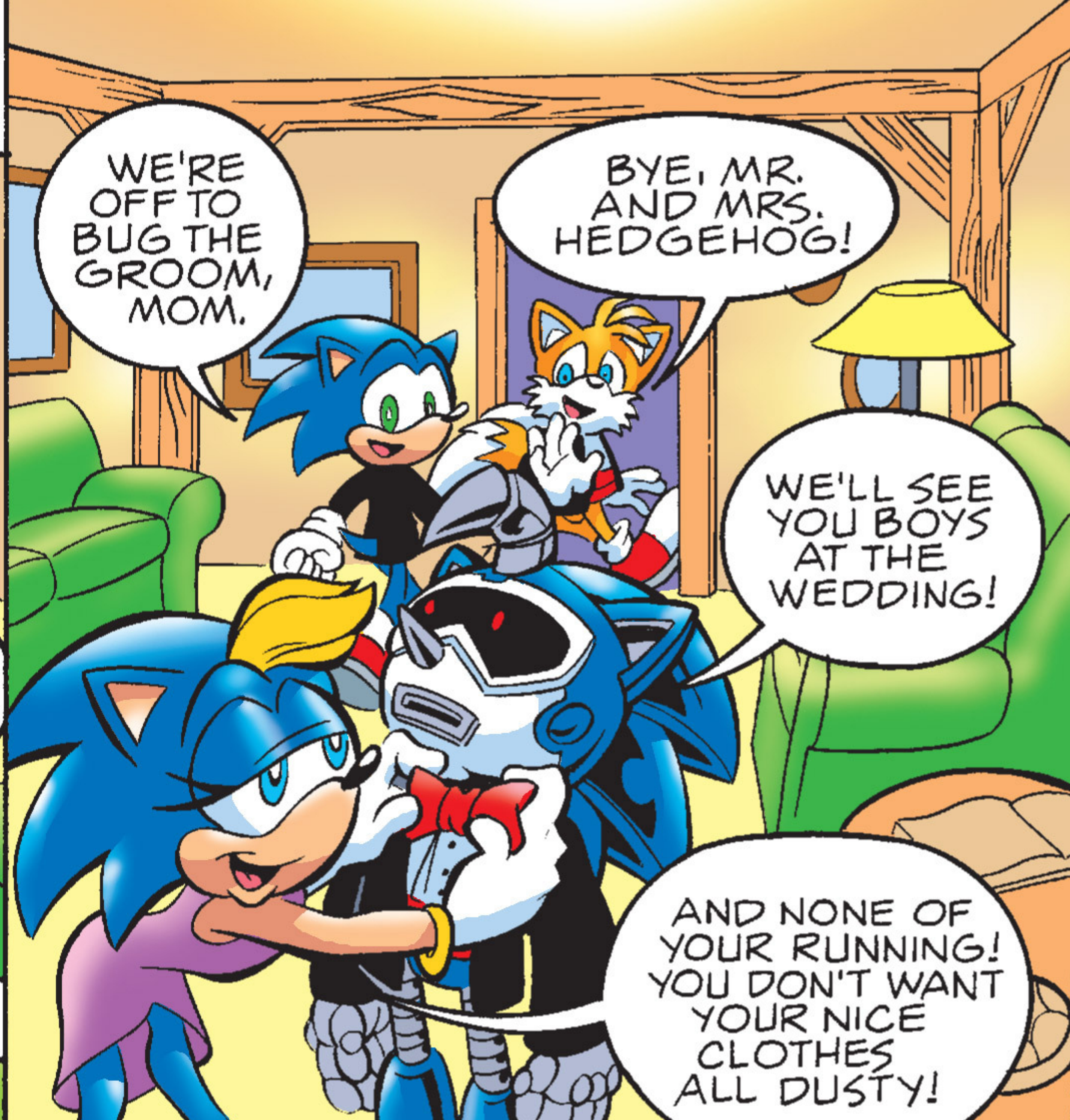
STILL MAYBE ANTOINE CAN RETURN THE FAVOR ONE DAY?

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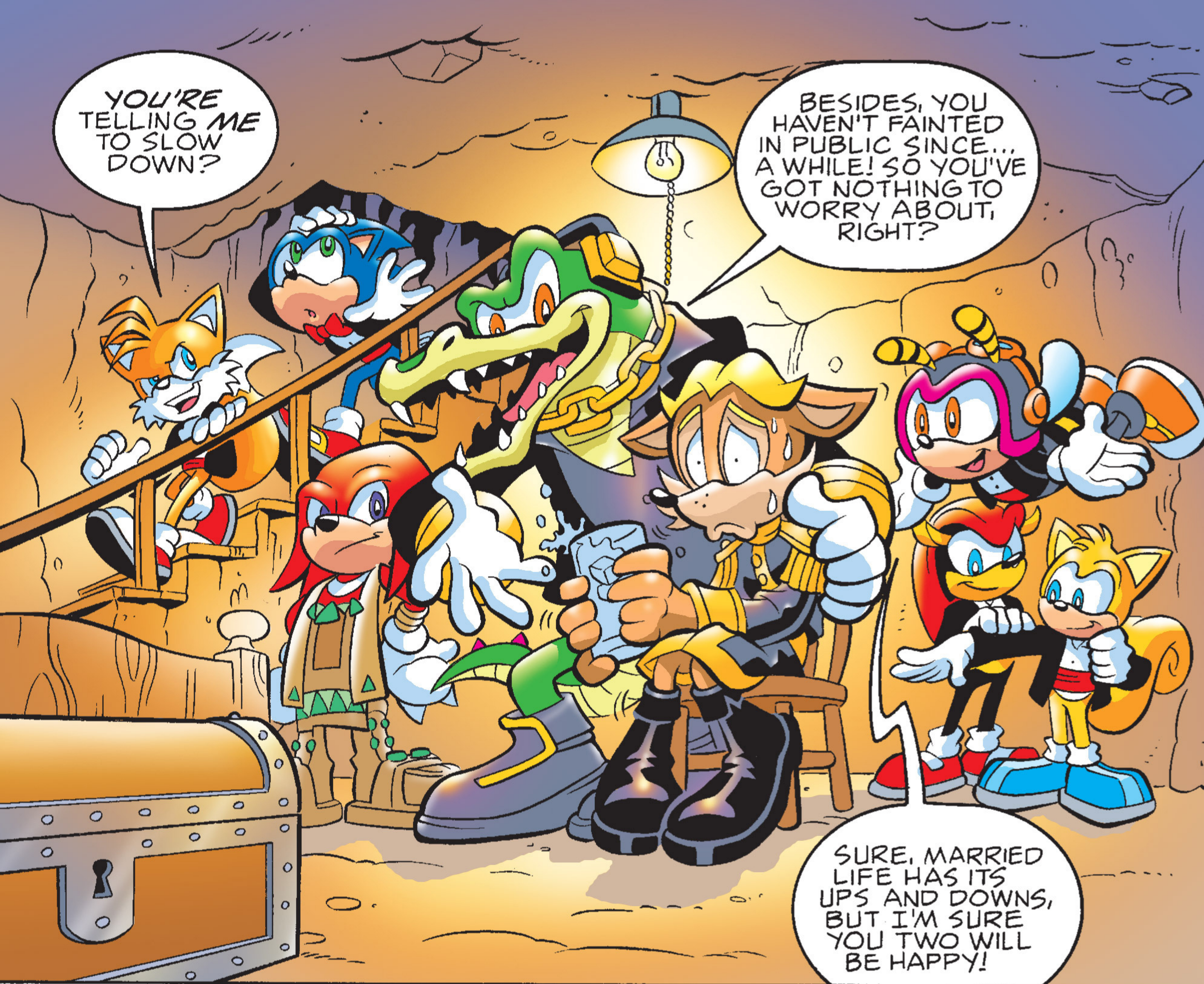
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YOU'RE  
TELLING ME  
TO SLOW  
DOWN?

BESIDES, YOU  
HAVEN'T FAINTED  
IN PUBLIC SINCE...  
A WHILE! SO YOU'VE  
GOT NOTHING TO  
WORRY ABOUT,  
RIGHT?

SURE, MARRIED  
LIFE HAS ITS  
UPS AND DOWNS,  
BUT I'M SURE  
YOU TWO WILL  
BE HAPPY!

VECTOR  
IS GIVING  
ADVICE?

WHETHER  
ANTOINE  
WANTS IT OR  
NOT, READY  
TO BE THE  
BEST MAN?

I'VE  
ALWAYS  
BEEN "THE  
BEST MAN,"  
WHERE'S  
ESPIO?

HE'S ON A  
MISSION.  
HE SAID HE'D  
BE BACK IN  
TIME FOR THE  
CEREMONY.

YEAH,  
BUT  
ALONE?

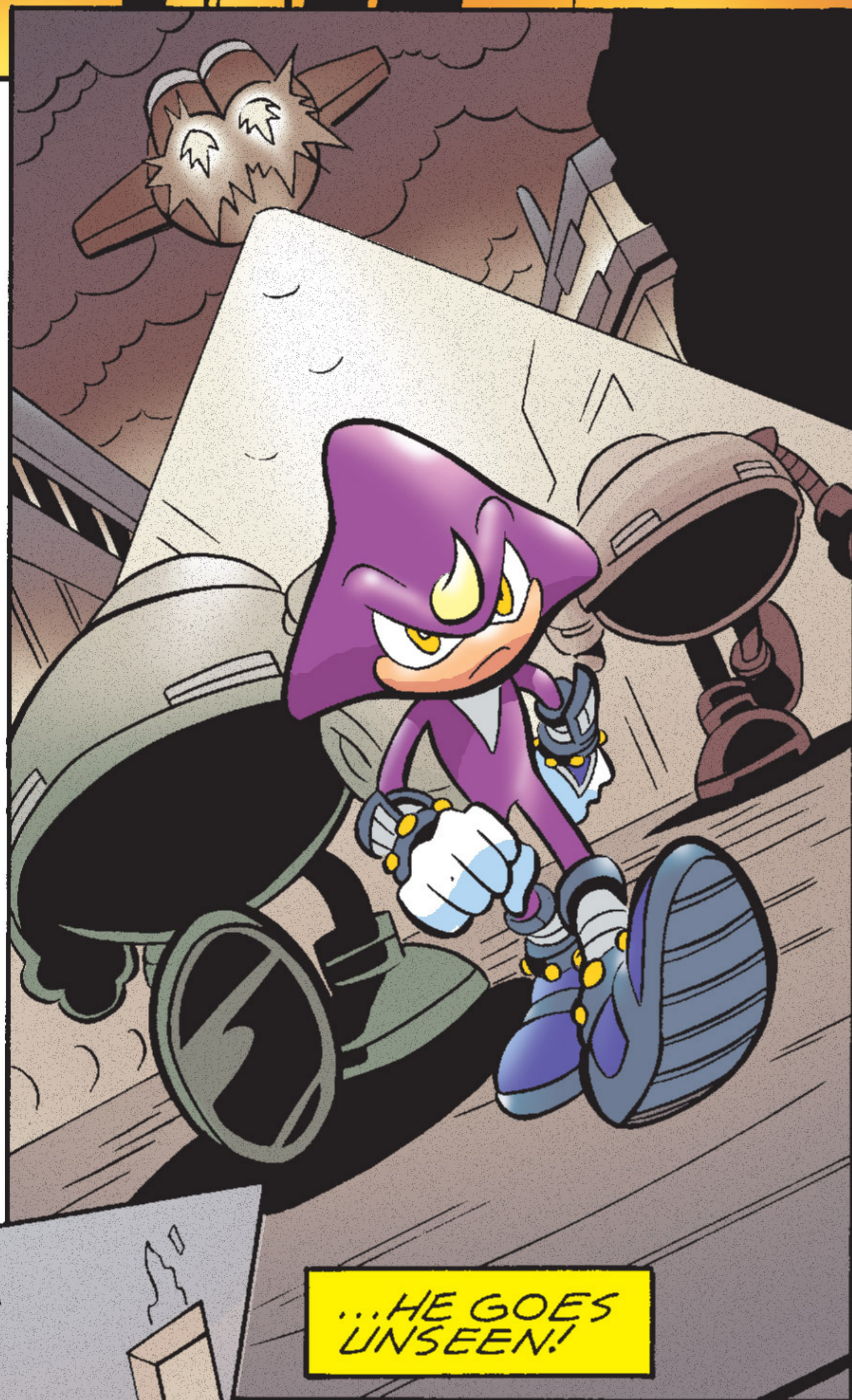
YOU  
KNOW  
ESPIO...



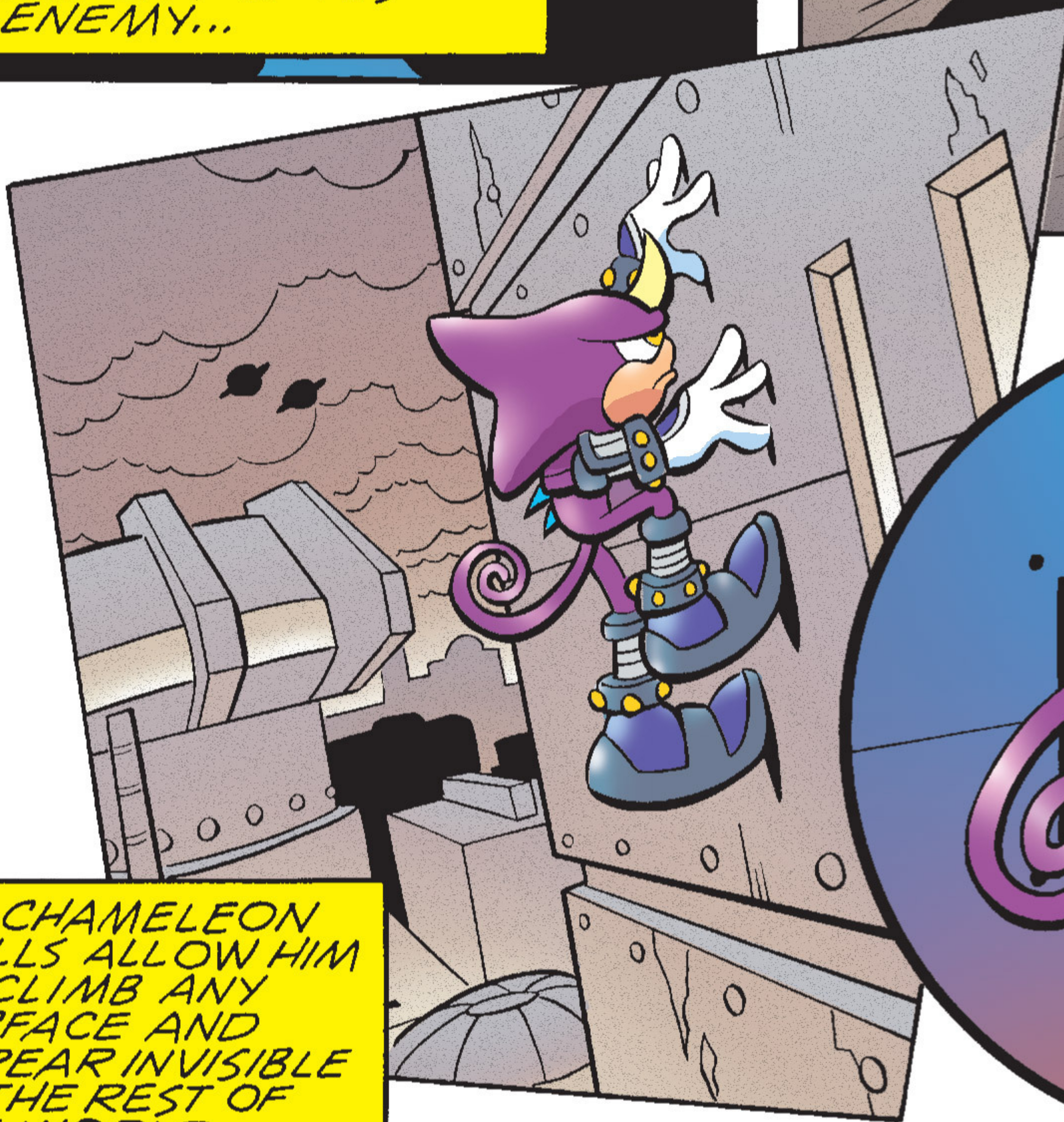
"...HE THINKS  
HE CAN DO  
ANYTHING."



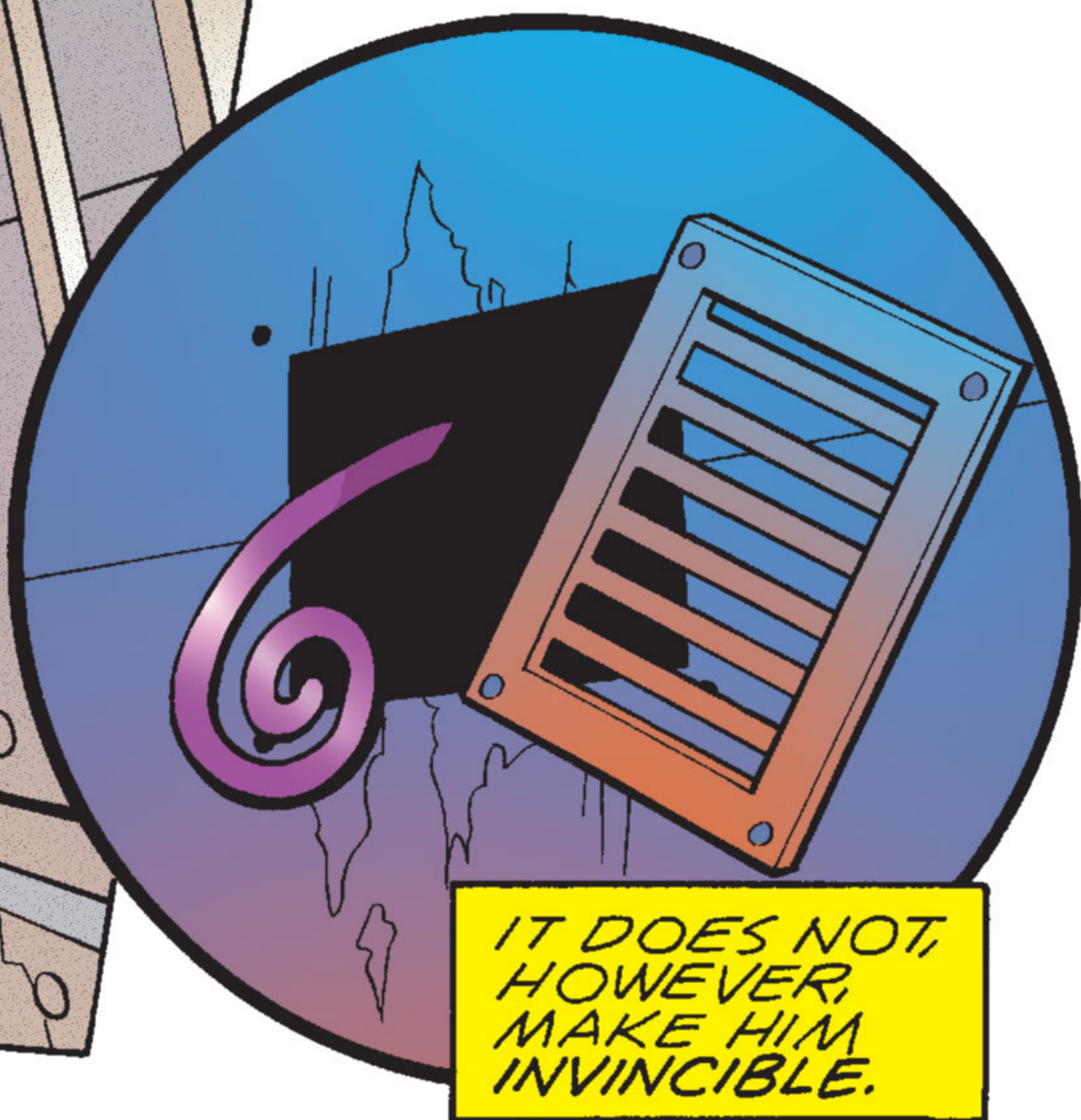
ESPIO IS RIGHTFULLY  
BOASTFUL. EVEN  
WHEN HE IS WITHIN  
THE CITY OF HIS  
ENEMY...



...HE GOES  
'UNSEEN!'



HIS CHAMELEON  
SKILLS ALLOW HIM  
TO CLIMB ANY  
SURFACE AND  
APPEAR INVISIBLE  
TO THE REST OF  
THE WORLD.



IT DOES NOT,  
HOWEVER,  
MAKE HIM  
INVINCIBLE.



WHILE ESPIO PROCEEDS INTO CERTAIN PERIL, THE PREPARATIONS PROCEED AS PLANNED.

YOU LEAVE BUNNIE TO US. GO BOTHER THE GROOM.

THE CHAOTIX BEAT ME TO IT. CAN'T I DO ANYTHING, ROSIE?



CONVINCE JULIE-SU SHE LOOKS FINE IN A DRESS.

LET'S NOT ASK FOR MIRACLES HERE.

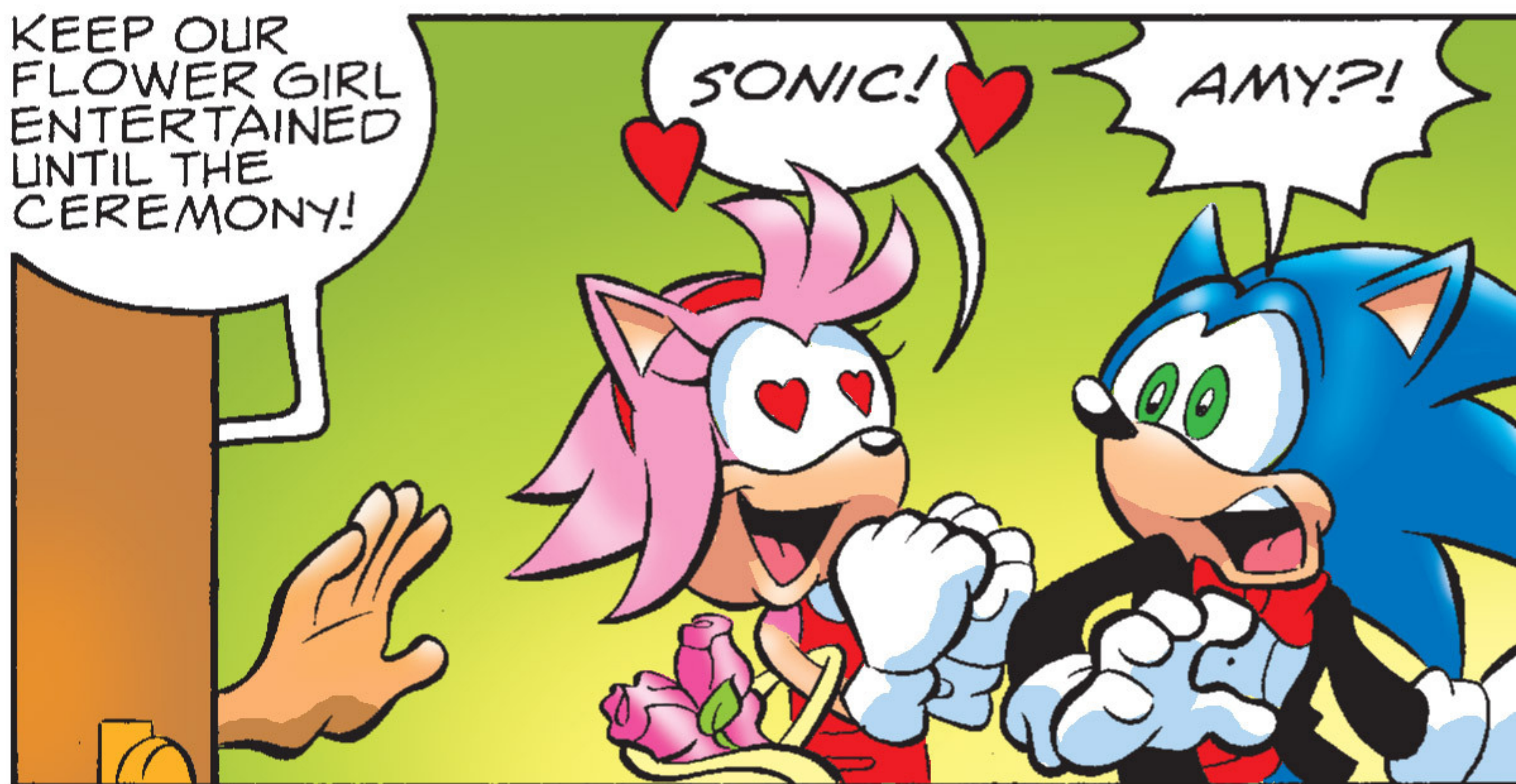
ALL RIGHT, THEN...



KEEP OUR FLOWER GIRL ENTERTAINED UNTIL THE CEREMONY!

SONIC! ♥

AMY?! ♥



AW, ROSIE, THAT WAS CRUEL!

BUT FUNNY.

OF COURSE.



AH, SALLY... YOU'RE THE BEST!

ISN'T IT IRONIC? WHEN YOU FIRST CAME TO US, YOU WANTED TO BE MY HAIR STYLIST.

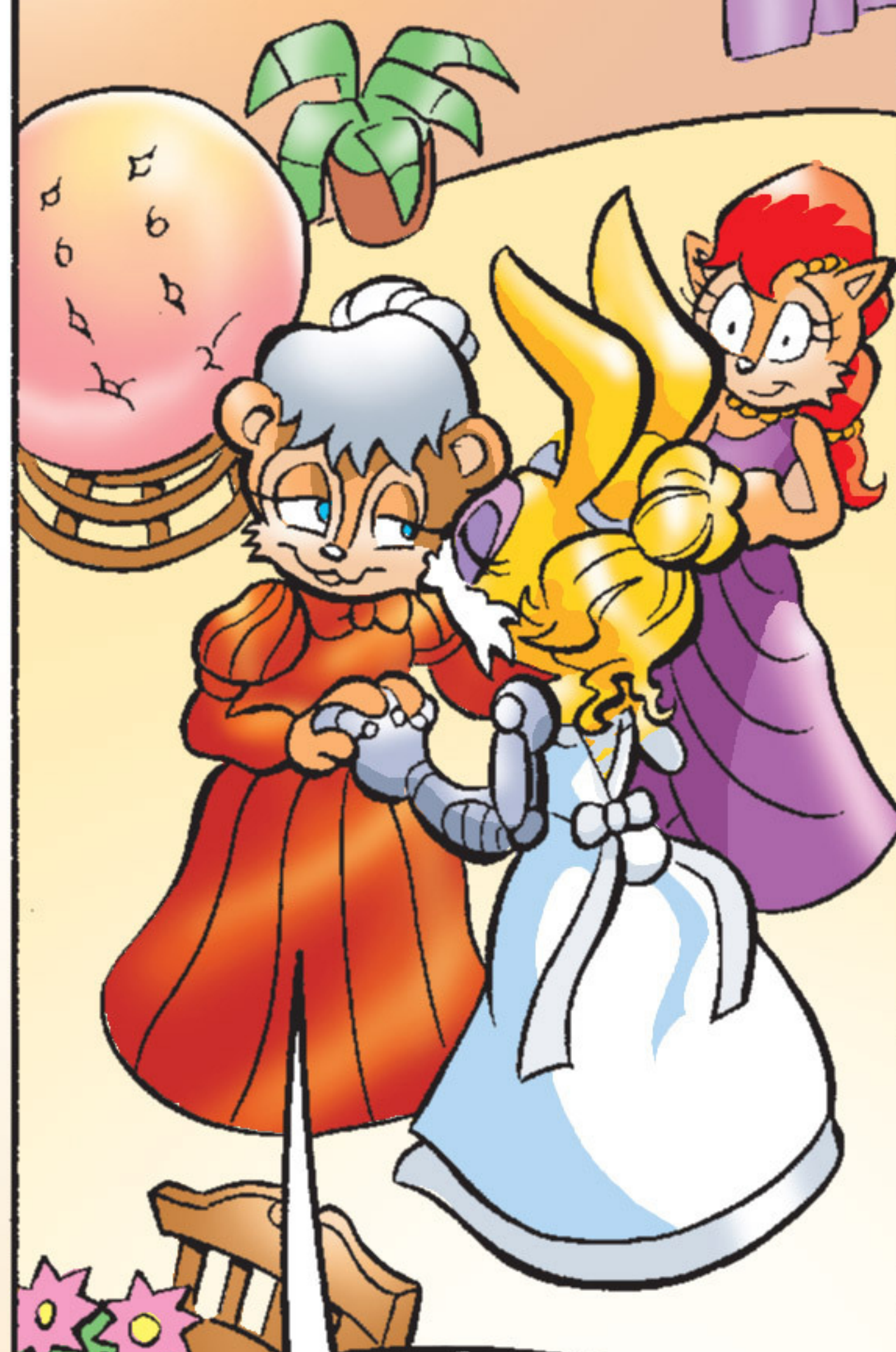




SHO'NUFF!  
AND AH STILL WILL  
--WHEN AH'M NOT  
SMASHING BADNIKS  
OR SPENDIN' TIME  
WITH MAH MAN!

I'M  
PROUD  
OF YOU,  
BUNNIE.  
ANTOINE'S  
A GOOD  
MAN.

AH COUNT  
MAH LUCKY STARS  
AH GOT HIM. WE'VE  
BOTH LOST SO MUCH--  
IT'S ONLY RIGHT THAT  
WE'RE THERE TO  
SUPPORT EACH  
OTHER.



AND I'M PROUD  
OF THE BOTH OF  
YOU. YOU'VE KEPT  
US ALL SAFE FOR  
SO LONG AND GROWN  
UP INTO SUCH  
LOVELY, COMPETENT  
YOUNG LADIES.

THANK  
YOU, ROSIE!  
MAYBE SALLY  
WILL FOLLOW  
MAH LEAD AND  
MARRY SOON,  
TOO!

OH, YES!  
SOMEONE  
HANDSOME  
AND  
BRAVE  
...AND  
BLUE...

OH, NO,  
YOU TWO  
DON'T. I'M  
PERFECTLY  
HAPPY  
BEING  
SINGLE  
RIGHT NOW,  
THANK  
YOU.

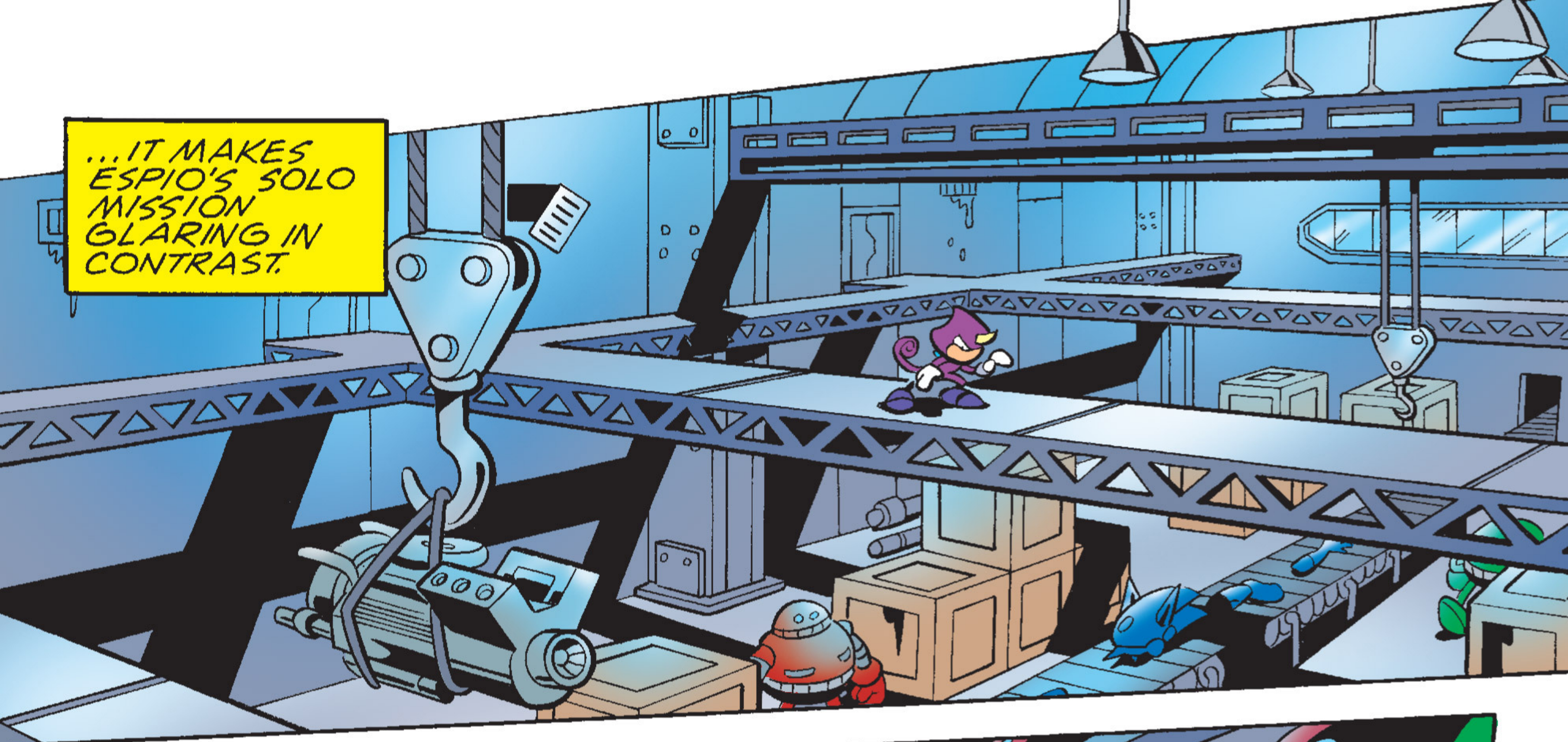
SUUUUURE  
YOU ARE!

HAHAHAHA!

SUCH LOVE AND FRIENDSHIP  
BETWEEN SUCH DIFFERENT  
CLASSES AND AGES...



...IT MAKES  
ESPIO'S SOLO  
MISSION  
GLARING IN  
CONTRAST.

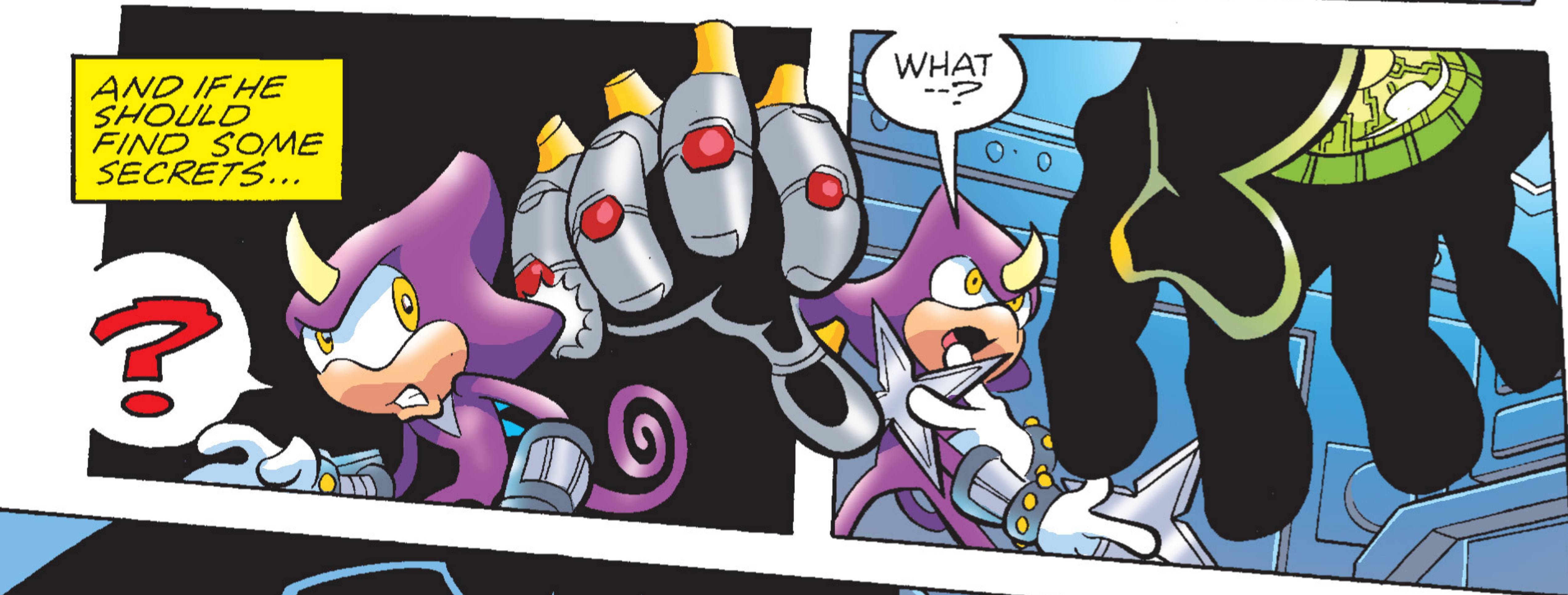


WHAT DOES HE RISK  
HIS LIFE FOR? WHAT  
SECRET DOES HE  
SEEK TO UNCOVER?



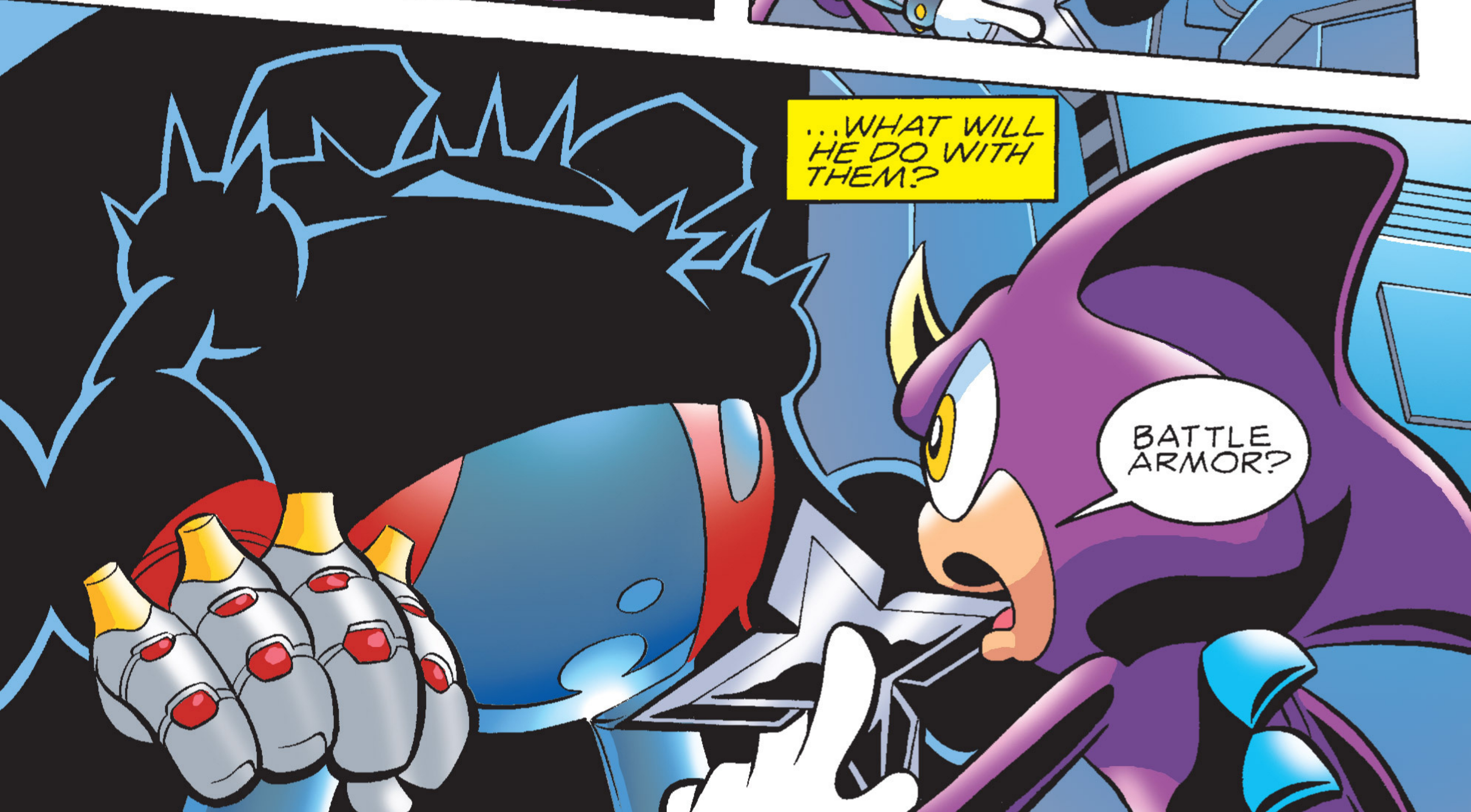
AND IF HE  
SHOULD FIND SOME  
SECRETS...

WHAT  
--?



...WHAT WILL  
HE DO WITH  
THEM?

BATTLE  
ARMOR?





AS ESPIO GETS CLOSER TO THE TRUTH, THE CITIZENS OF KNOTHOLE REMAIN OBLIVIOUS...

HAVE YOU HEARD FROM ESPIO YET, MAN?

NOTHING. HE'S RUNNING OUT OF TIME.

HEY, GUYS.

H-HEY! JULIE-SU. WOW!

HEY, JS. YOU'RE LOOKING GOOD.

THANKS, YOU'RE SWEET. I HATE DRESSING UP LIKE THIS.

I THINK SHE LOOKS GOOD. DON'T YOU, KNUX?

I-- SHE-- YES!

HA! THANKS, HUN.

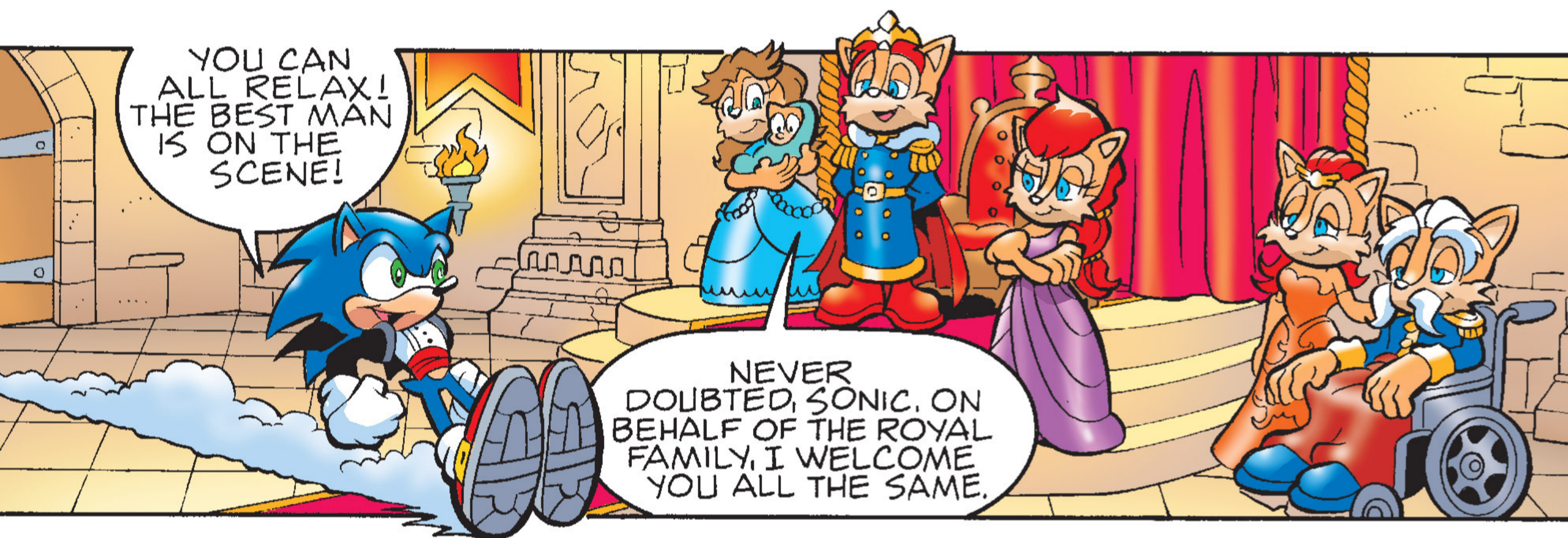
SO WHEN CAN WE EXPECT YOU TWO TO MAKE IT OFFICIAL?

AND DRESS UP EVEN MORE? NO, THANKS. BESIDES, THE DARK LEGION NEVER HAD ANY SORT OF CEREMONY.

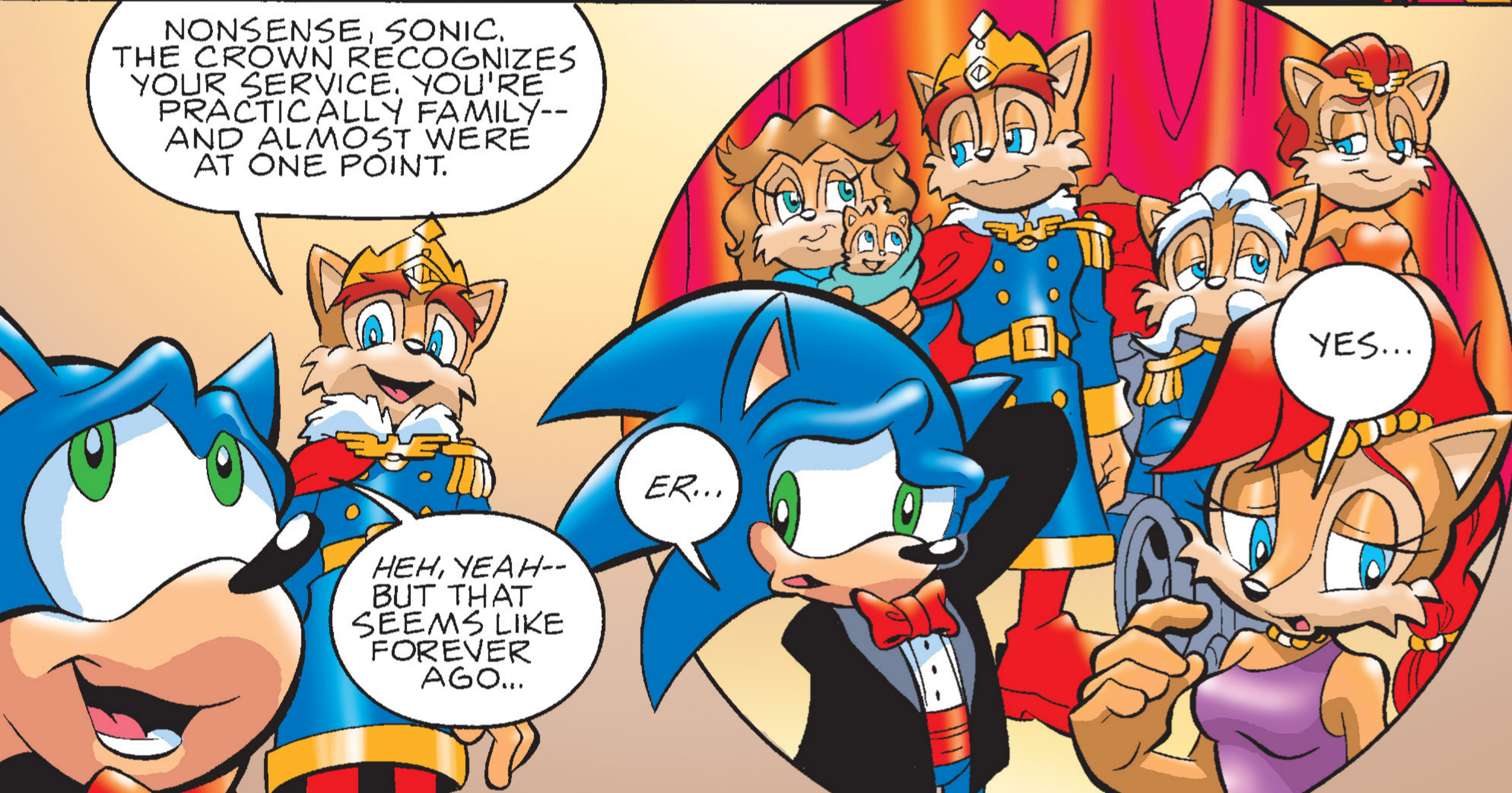
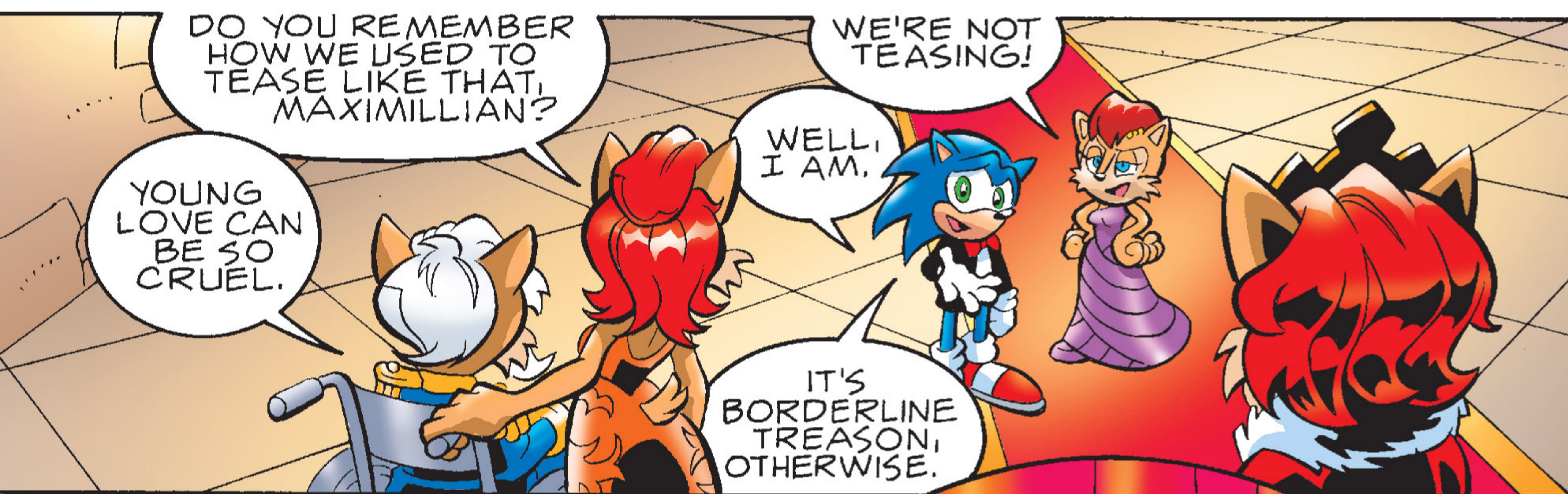
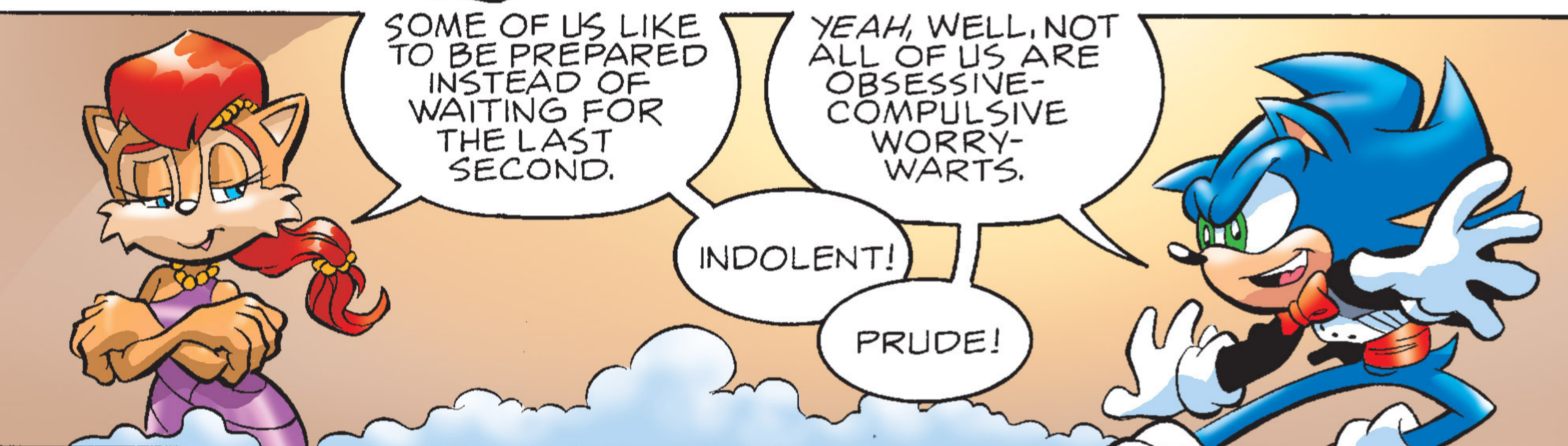
AND EVEN IF THEY DID, WHY DO WE NEED A CEREMONY? ANTOINE AND BUNNIE ARE WELCOME TO THEIRS. BUT I THINK MY WORD TO JULIE-SU IS AS GOOD AS ANYTHING.

I GET YA! I NEED TO GET IN PLACE, GUYS! CATCH YA AT THE RECEPTION!

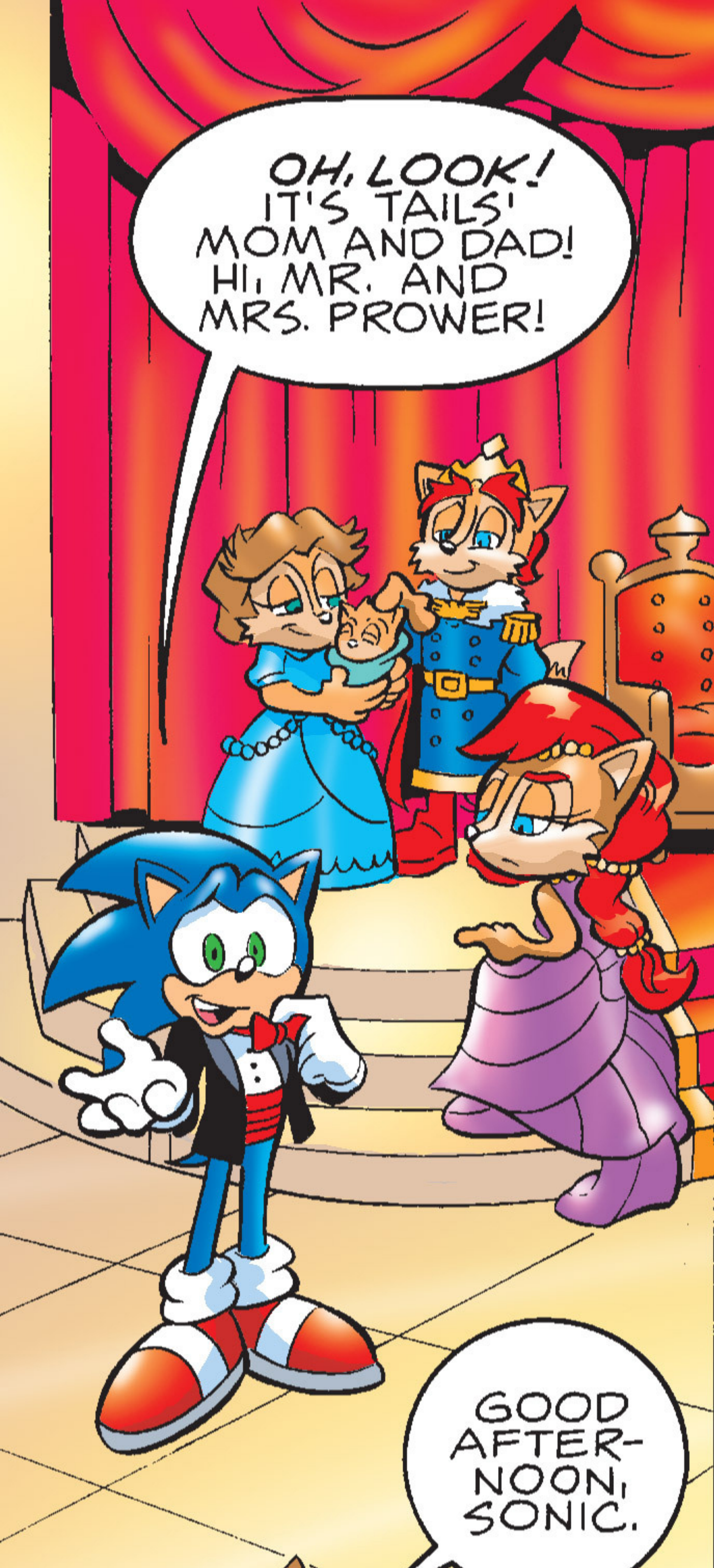




NEVER DOUBTED, SONIC. ON BEHALF OF THE ROYAL FAMILY, I WELCOME YOU ALL THE SAME.

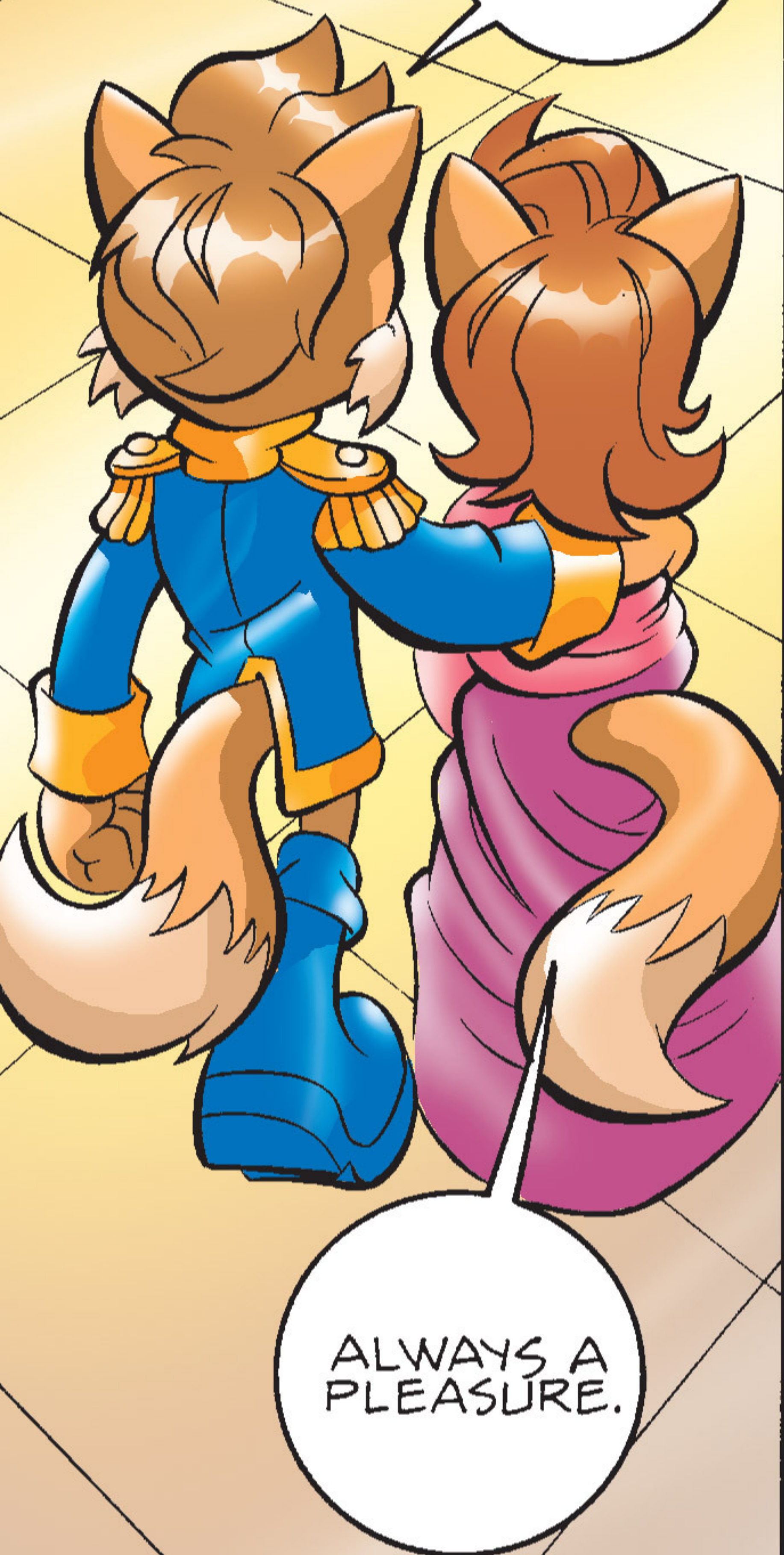






OH, LOOK!  
IT'S TAILS'  
MOM AND DAD!  
HI, MR. AND  
MRS. PROWER!

GOOD  
AFTER-  
NOON,  
SONIC.



ALWAYS A  
PLEASURE.

COMMANDER PROWER!  
THANK YOU AGAIN FOR  
LEADING THE HONOR  
GUARD FOR TODAY'S  
CEREMONY!

MY PLEASURE,  
YOUR HIGHNESS.  
IT'S MOST  
GRACIOUS OF  
YOU TO PERFORM  
THE UNION FOR  
THEM.

THE  
HONOR  
IS MINE.



AND *THAT*,  
SIRE, IS WHY  
I AM SO  
OPTIMISTIC  
FOR OUR  
GREAT  
NATION.

SOON YOU WON'T  
HAVE MUCH MORE  
POWER THAN THAT,  
ANYWAY.

U/M...MOM?  
HERE'S THE  
UPDATED  
ATTENDANCE  
LIST.



THANK  
YOU,  
TAILS.

WHAT DID  
YOU MEAN  
BY THAT,  
DAD?

JUST THAT YOUR MOTHER  
AND I HAVE A NUMBER OF  
SUGGESTIONS FOR THE  
STRUCTURE OF THE  
KINGDOM, TAILS. NEW  
PLANS TO BETTER THE  
LIVES FOR EVERYONE  
IN KNOTHOLE.



OH--OKAY!  
THERE'S ONLY  
ONE GUY MISSING  
FROM THE LIST I  
GAVE MOM.



THAT "ONE GUY"  
IS ESPIO, OF  
COURSE.

AS THE CEREMONY  
NEARS ITS START  
TIME...

...ESPIO NEARS THE  
TRUTH OF DR. EGG-  
MAN'S PLAN.

THE COMPLETE,  
HORRIFYING,  
UNSTOPPABLE  
PLAN...

...OH,  
NO...

DESPITE ALL  
HIS TRAINING,  
HE PANICS.

WHICH WILL  
COST HIM  
DEARLY.



BUT EVERYONE ELSE  
WOULDN'T KNOW ABOUT  
THAT, WOULD THEY?

MY PEOPLE  
OF KNOTHOLE!

TODAY WE  
ARE GATHERED  
TO SEE THE UNION  
OF TWO OF OUR  
FINEST! TWO  
FREEDOM FIGHTERS  
WHO, LIKE ALL OF US,  
HAVE LOST A GREAT  
DEAL IN OUR  
STRUGGLE FOR  
FREEDOM--

BUT LIKE US  
ALL, THEY HAVE  
SHOWN THE  
COURAGE TO  
MAKE IT TO  
THIS DAY.

IT IS  
BECAUSE OF  
THEIR SELFLESS-  
NESS THAT WE CAN  
ENJOY THIS  
MOMENT.

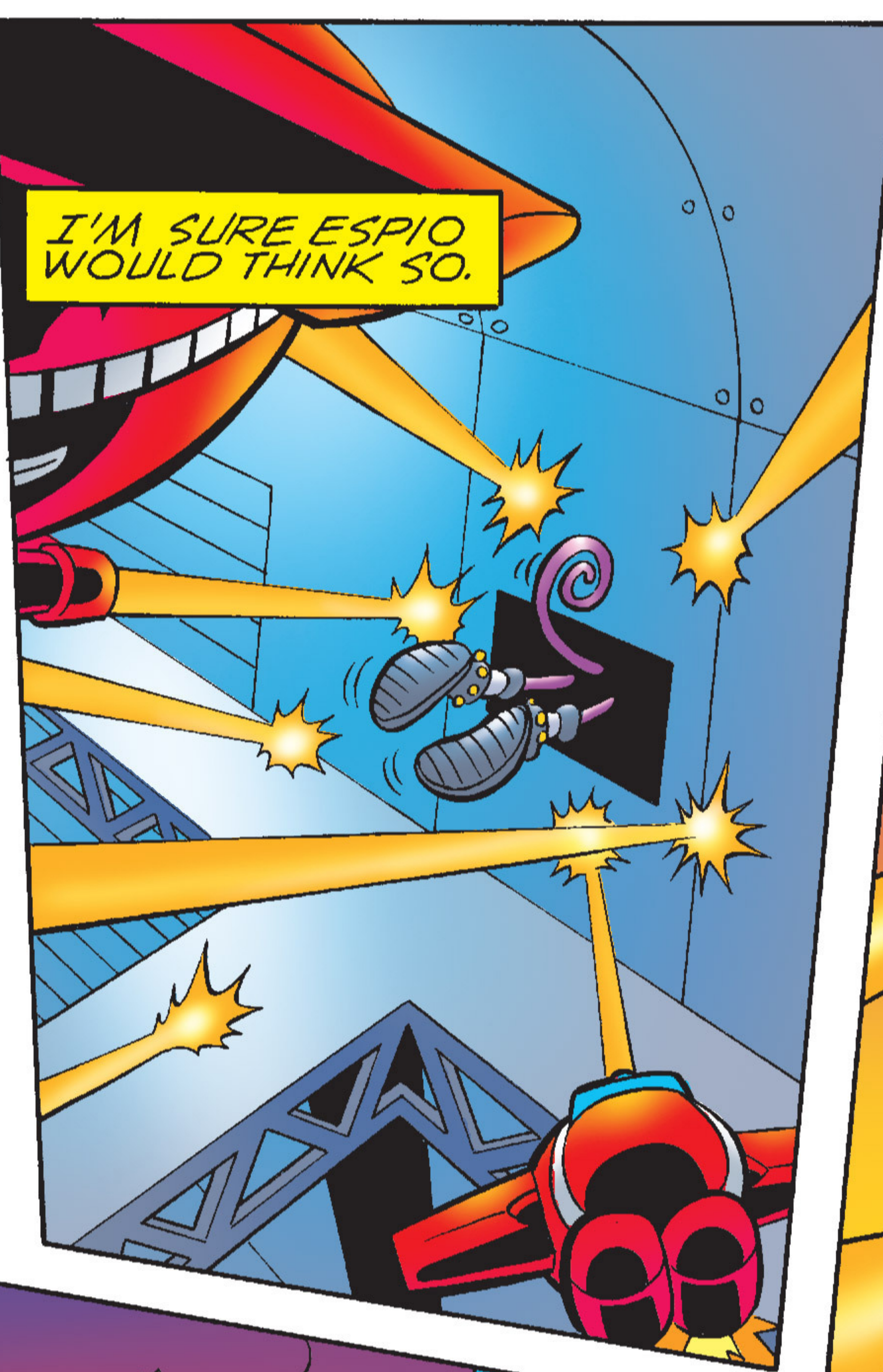
AND WE  
HAVE NOTHING  
BUT THANKS FOR  
THEIR ACTIONS--  
AND FOR LETTING  
US JOIN THEM ON  
THEIR HAPPIEST  
OF DAYS!

WITHOUT  
FURTHER ADO,  
IT IS MY **GREAT  
PLEASURE**  
TO UNITE  
COMMANDER  
ANTOINE  
D'COOLETTE  
AND BUNNIE  
RABBOT IN A  
UNION FOR  
LIFE.

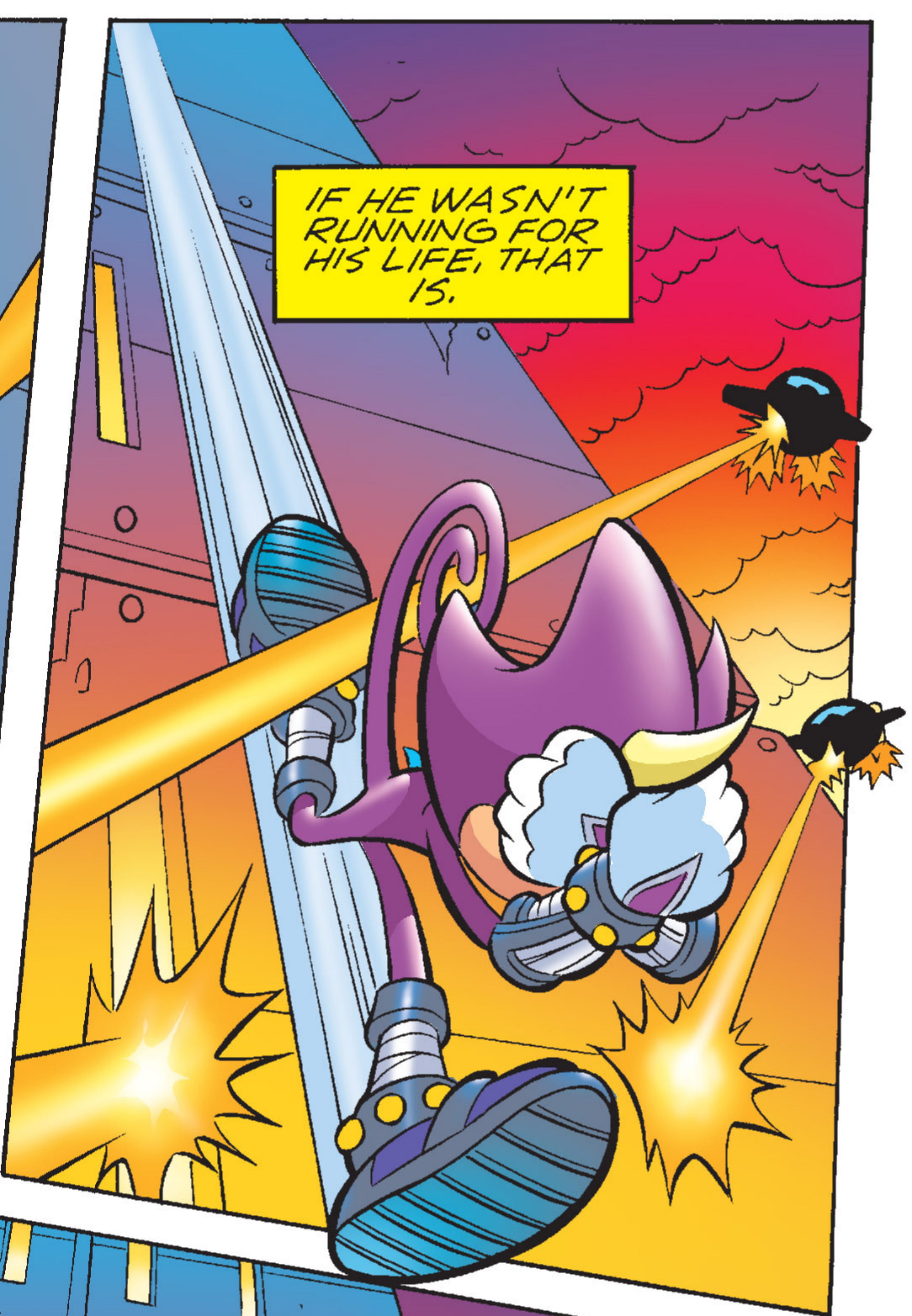
ISN'T IT  
TOUCHING!?



I'M SURE ESPIO  
WOULD THINK SO.



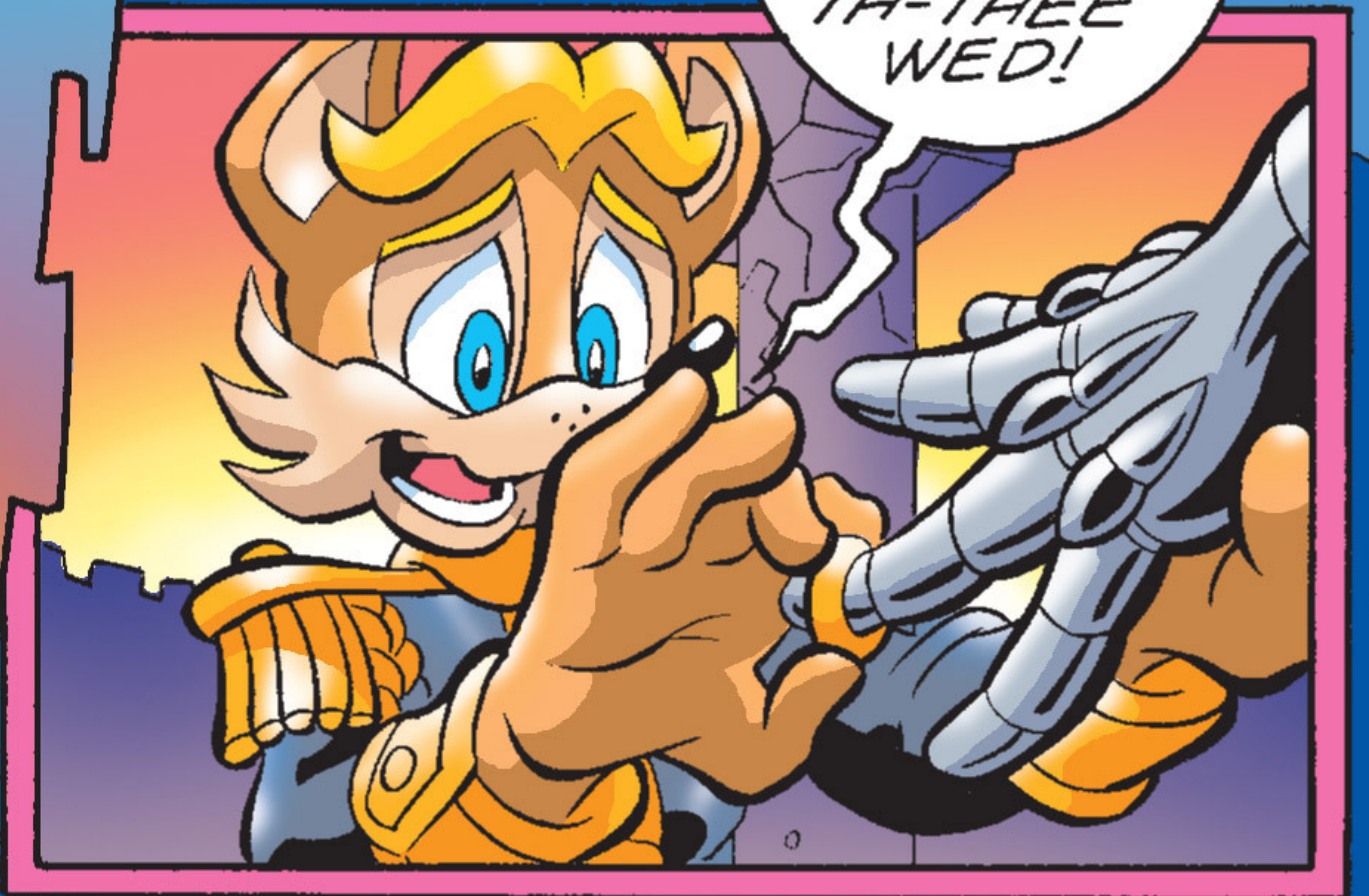
IF HE WASN'T  
RUNNING FOR  
HIS LIFE, THAT  
IS.



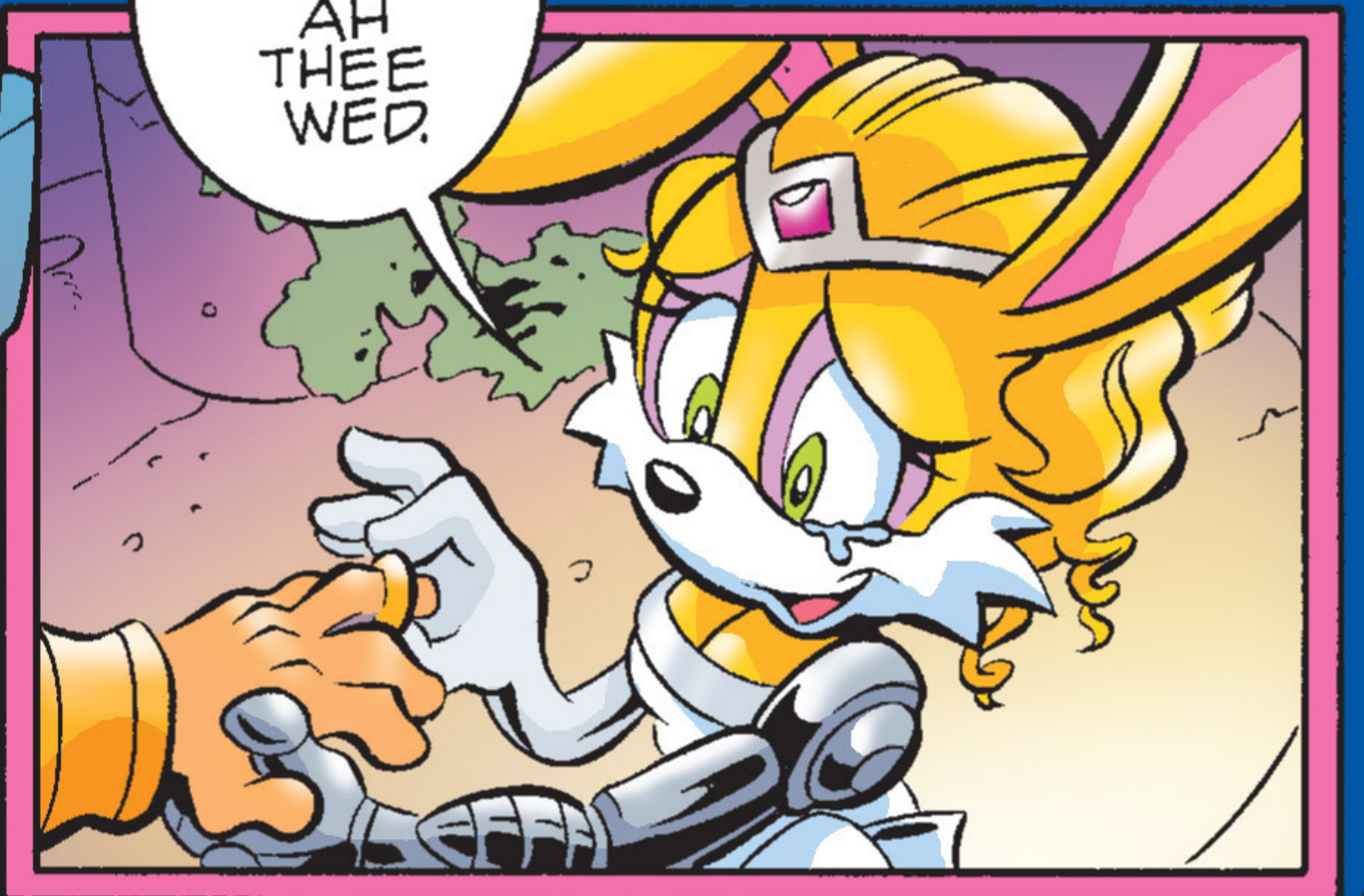
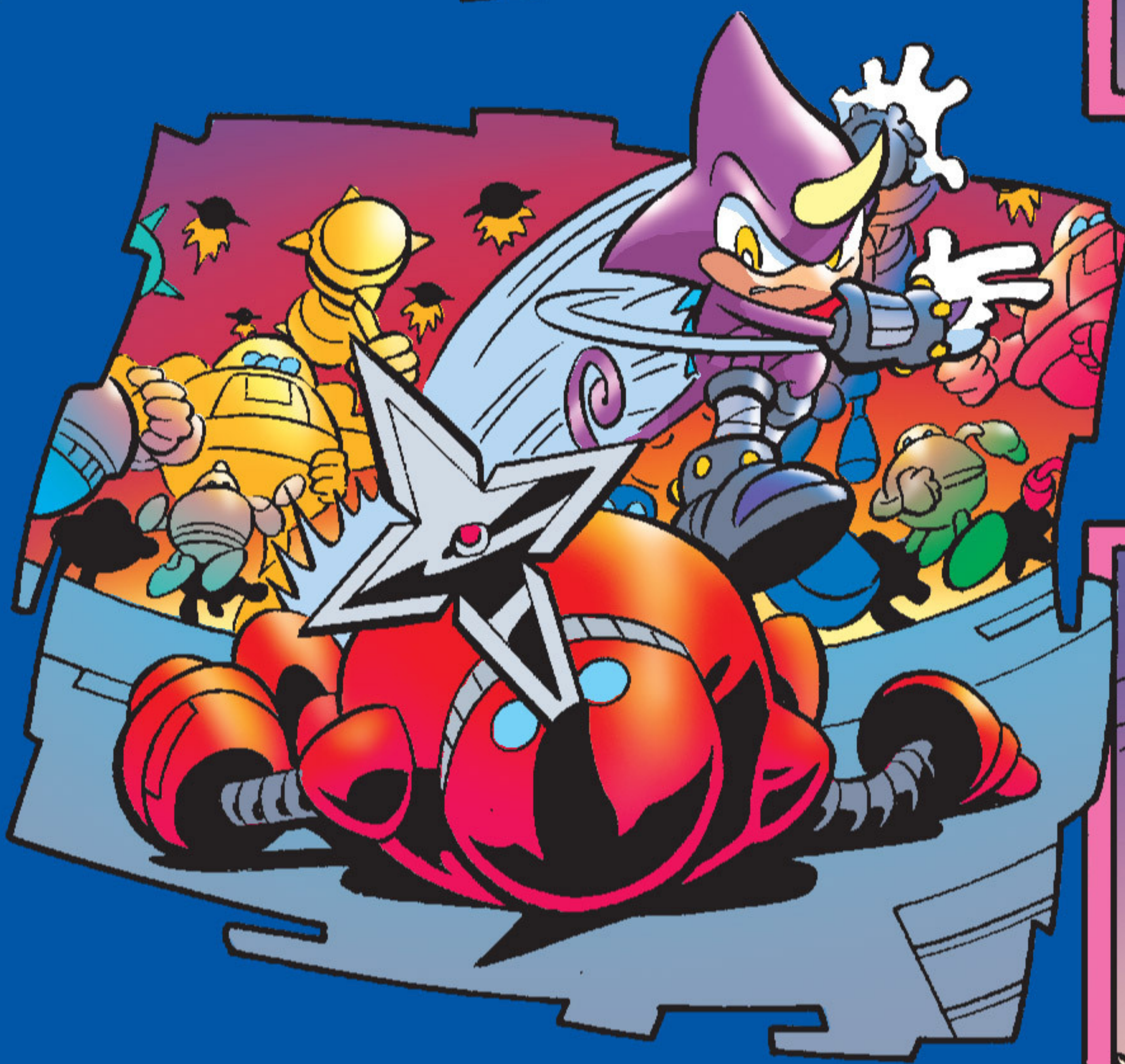
BUT IT SERVES  
HIM RIGHT!



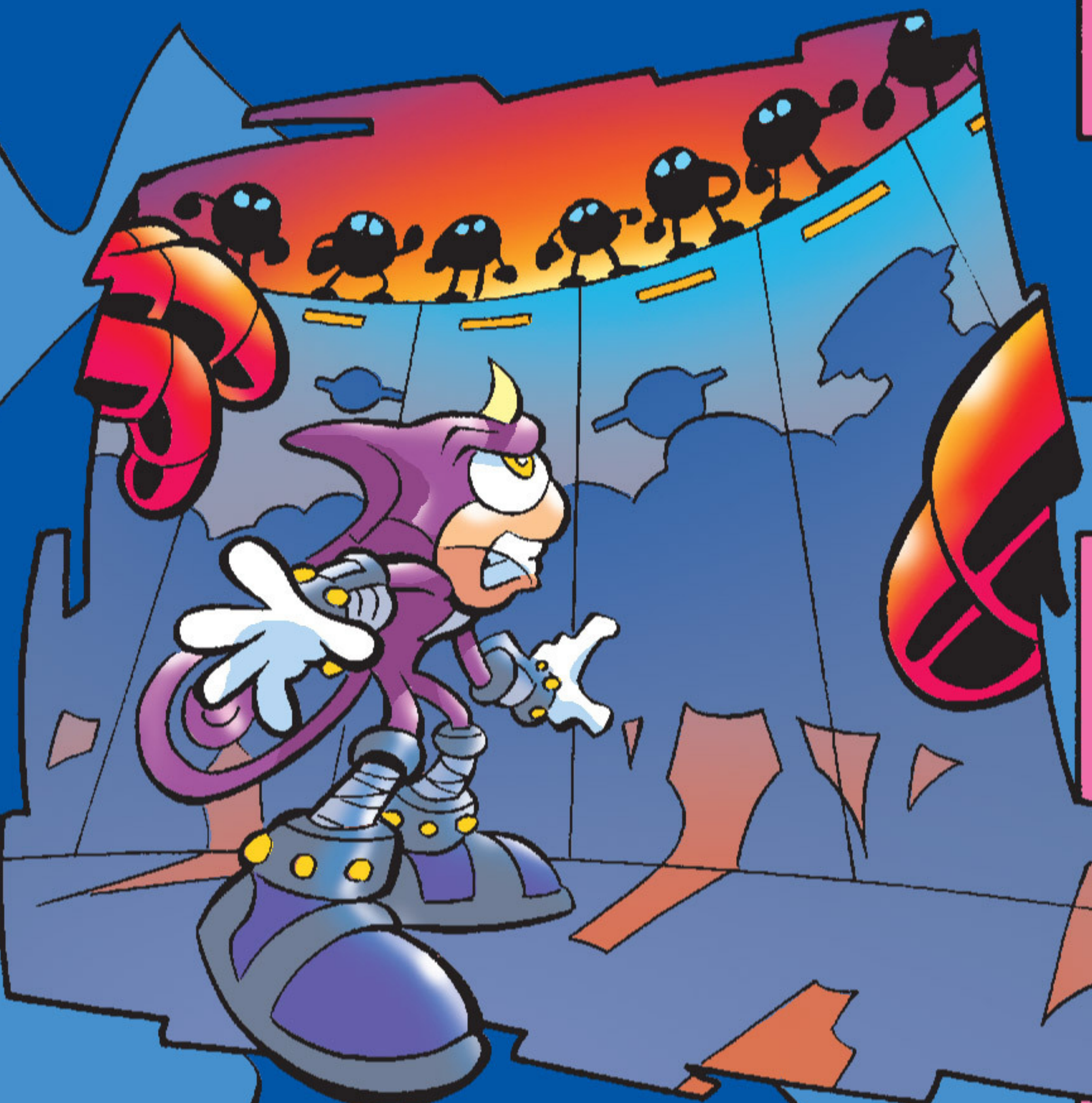




W-W-  
WITH  
TH-THIS  
RING,  
I-I-I  
TH-THEE  
WED!



WITH  
THIS  
R-RING,  
AH  
THEE  
WED.



I NOW  
PRONOUNCE  
YOU  
HUSBAND  
AND  
WIFE!



AND WHILE KNOTHOLE  
CELEBRATES ONE OF  
ITS HAPPIEST DAYS...





...ESPIO IS  
EXPERIENCING  
HIS LAST.

I'VE  
SEEN YOUR  
PLANS. I  
KNOW WHAT  
YOU'RE  
GOING  
TO DO.

IT WILL  
NEVER WORK.  
THEY'LL SEE  
YOU COMING.  
THEY'LL  
RESCUE  
ME.

HA! YOU  
MUST NOT  
HAVE READ  
THE REPORT  
CLEARLY.

**BWVVT!**





THEY  
DON'T  
STAND A  
CHANCE.

THE PREPARATIONS ARE OVER! OUR HEROES' TIME IS  
UP! BRACE YOURSELVES OVER THE NEXT THIRTY DAYS  
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# BWAHA-HAHA!

OUT OF THE WAY, SONIC!

**PART TWO**

## SEE YA' LATER CHAO

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I'VE DETECTED HIGH LEVELS OF MYSTICAL ENERGY HERE AND I PLAN ON DRILLING IT UP FOR MY OWN PURPOSES.

IF YOU INSIST ON GETTING IN THE WAY, PLEASE DO SO UNDER THE DRILL!

# HA-HA-HA!

I HATE TO BREAK IT TO YOU, EGGMAN, BUT THERE'S NOTHING HERE BUT THE CHAO AND THEIR CHAO GARDEN.

THAT'S WHAT YOU DETECTED!

WHAT? THEN...THERE'S NO MAGIC RINGS?

NOPE.

CHAOS EMERALDS?

NUH-UH.

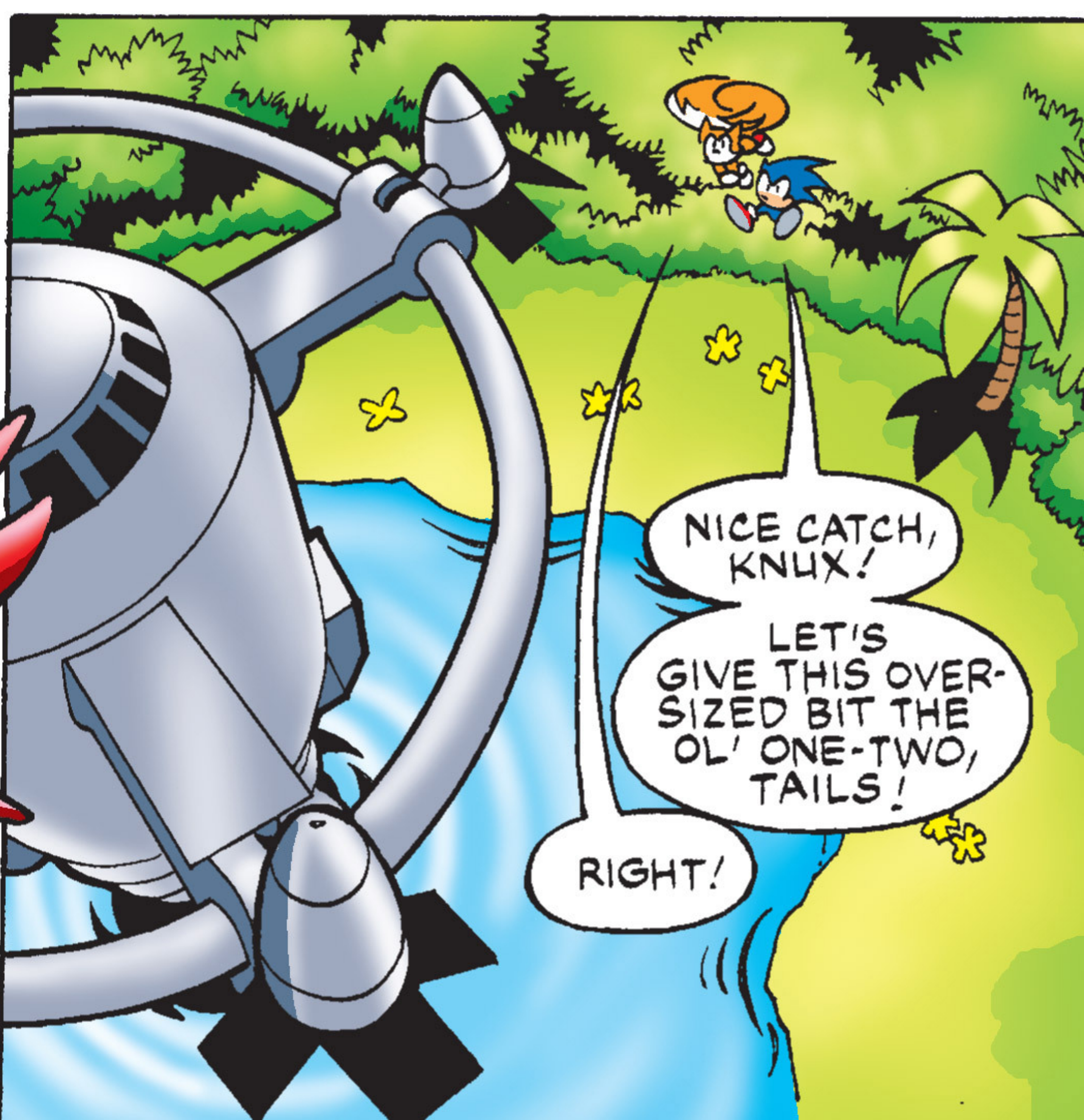
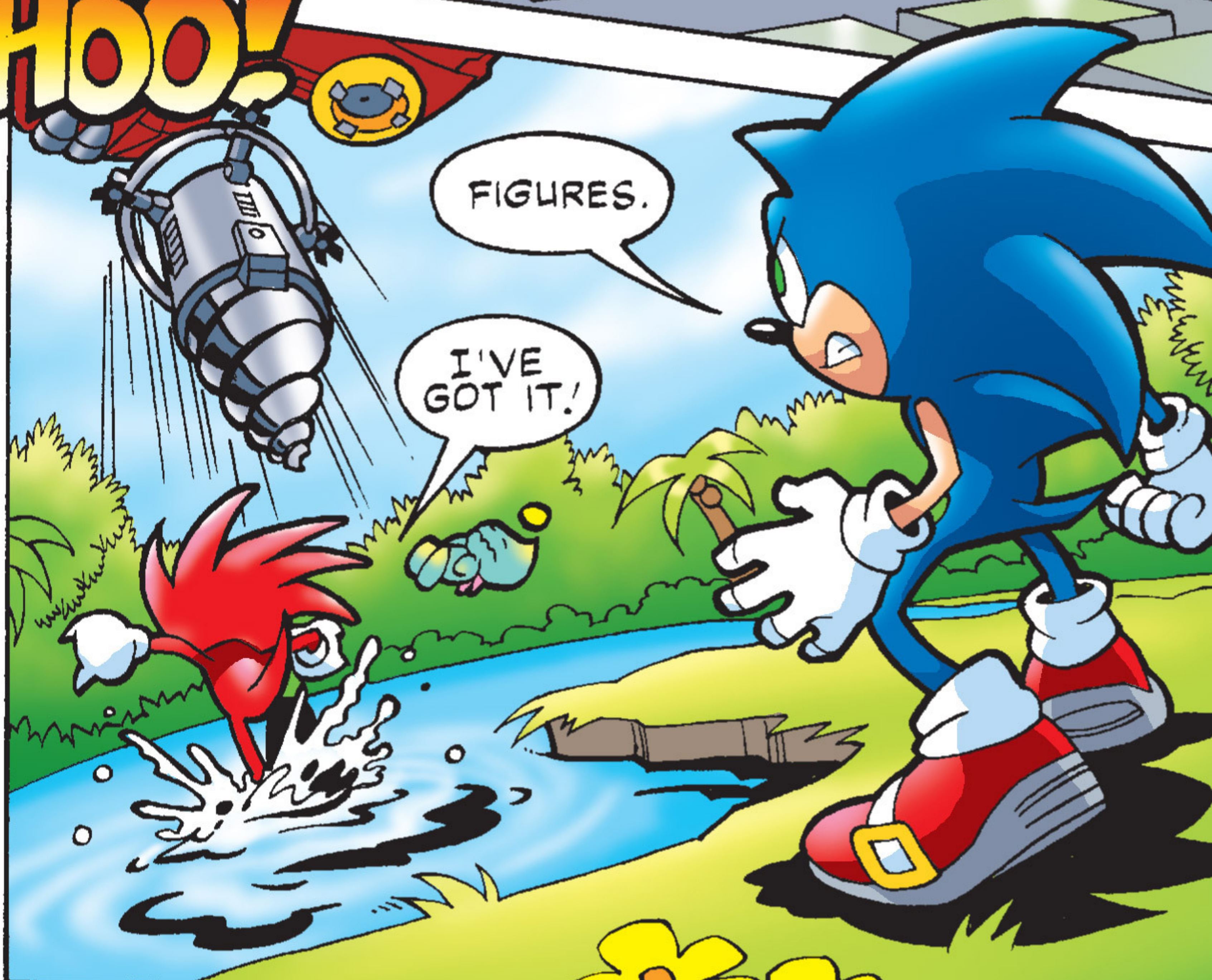
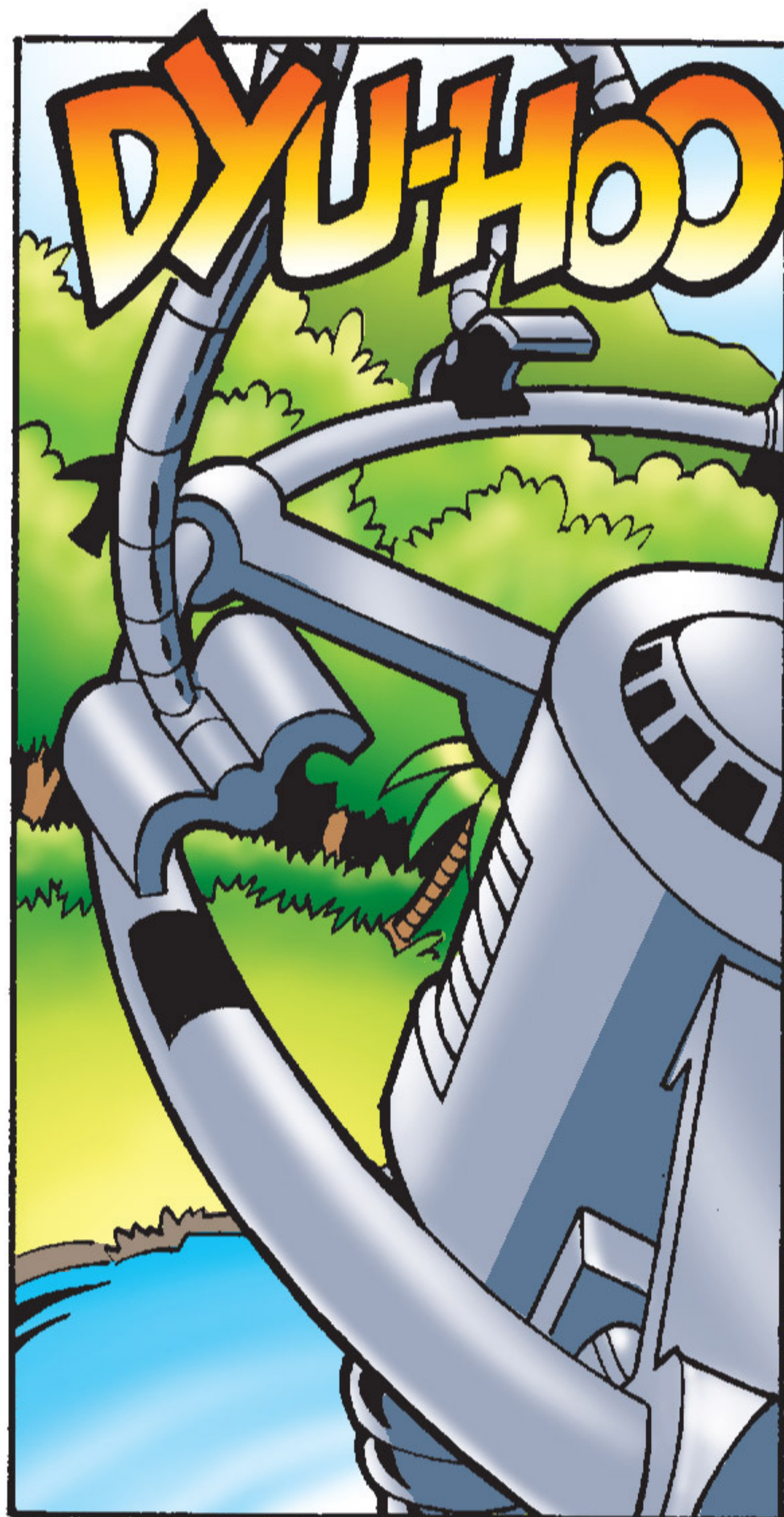
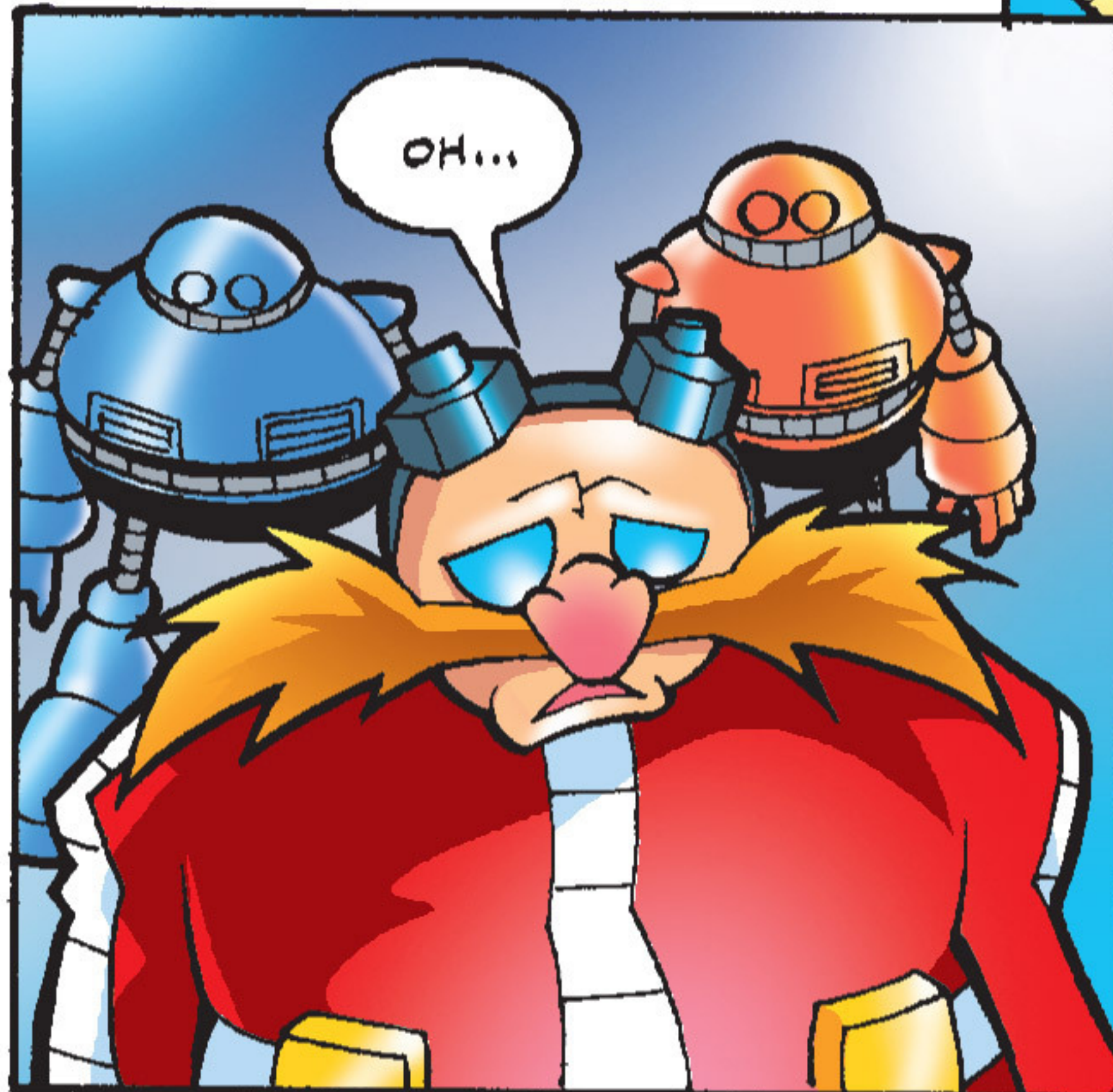
POWER GEMS?

DIDN'T YOU INVENT THOSE?

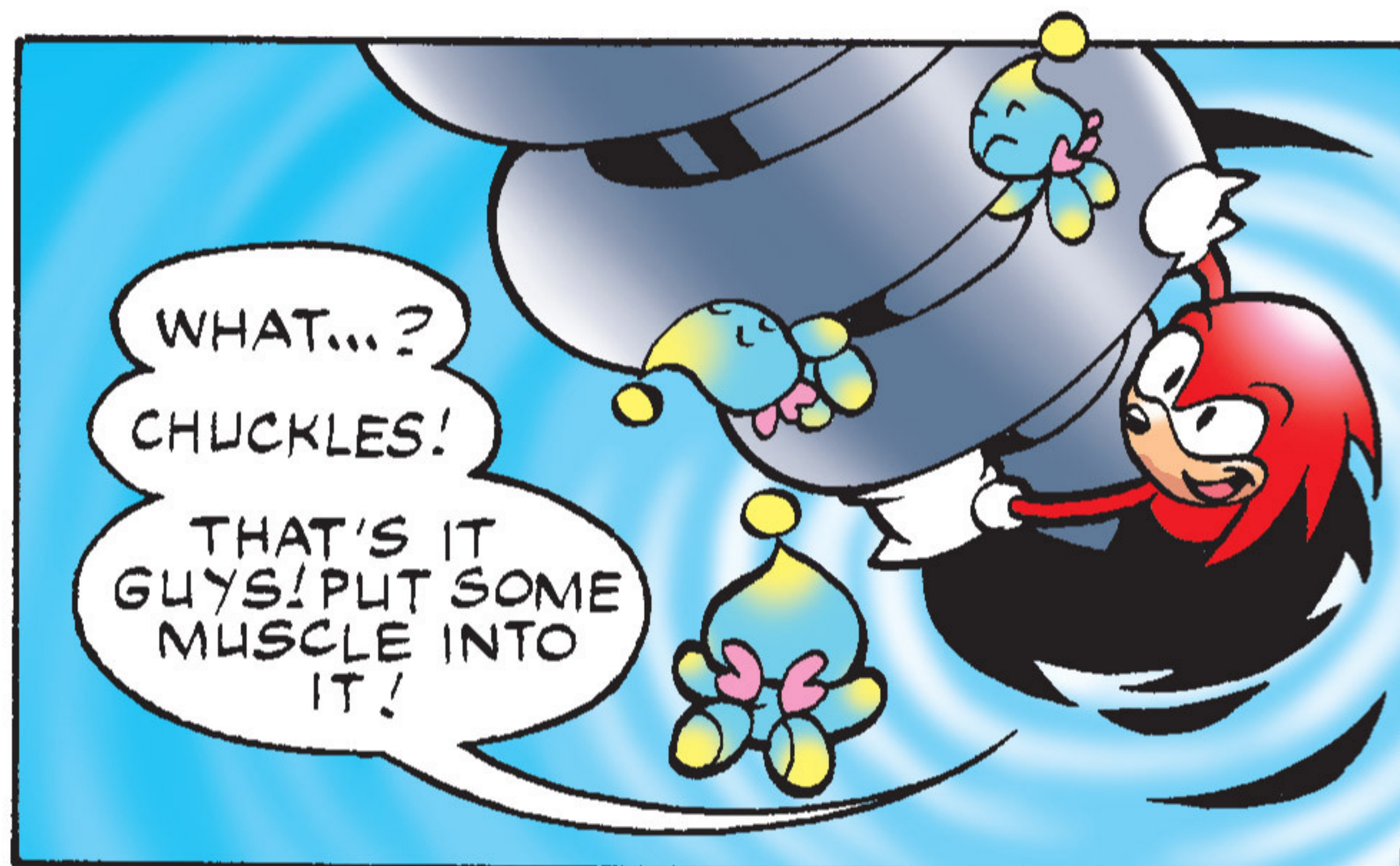
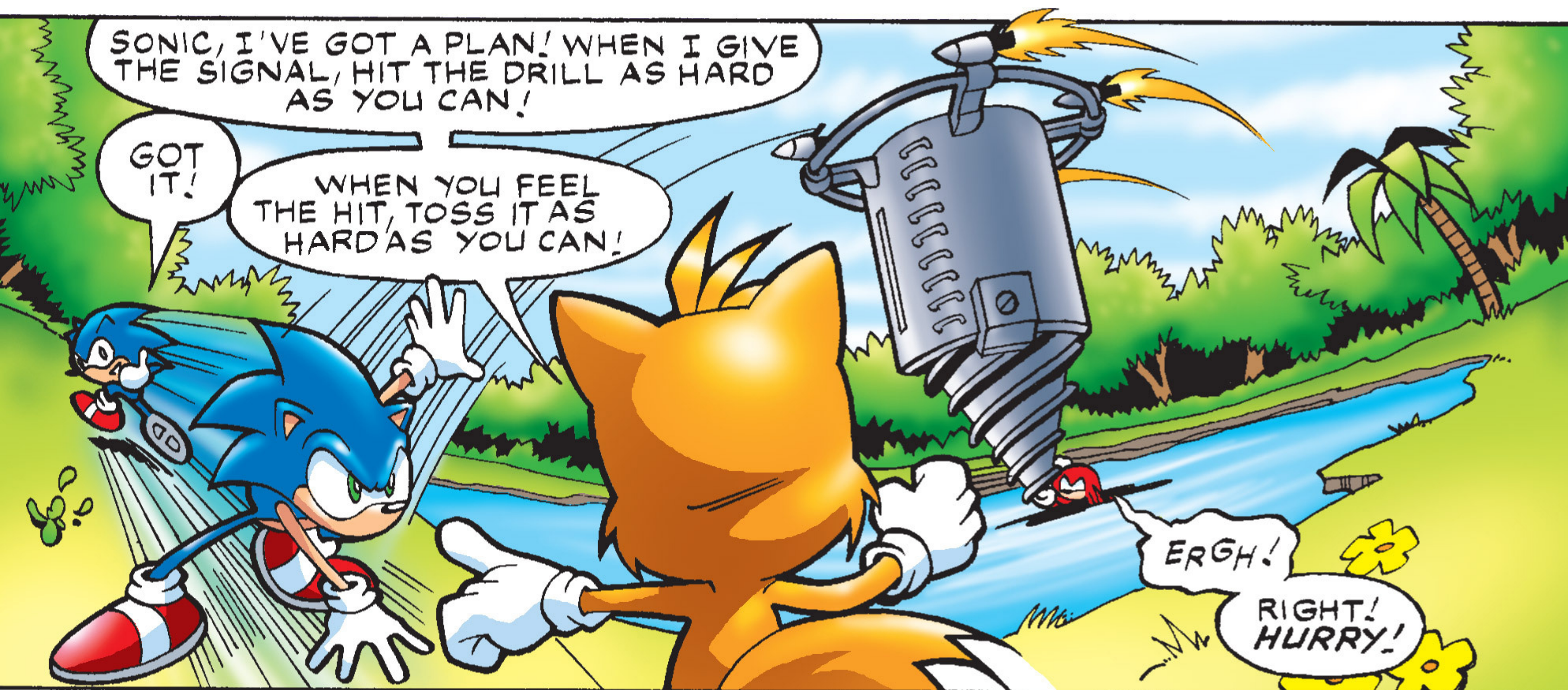
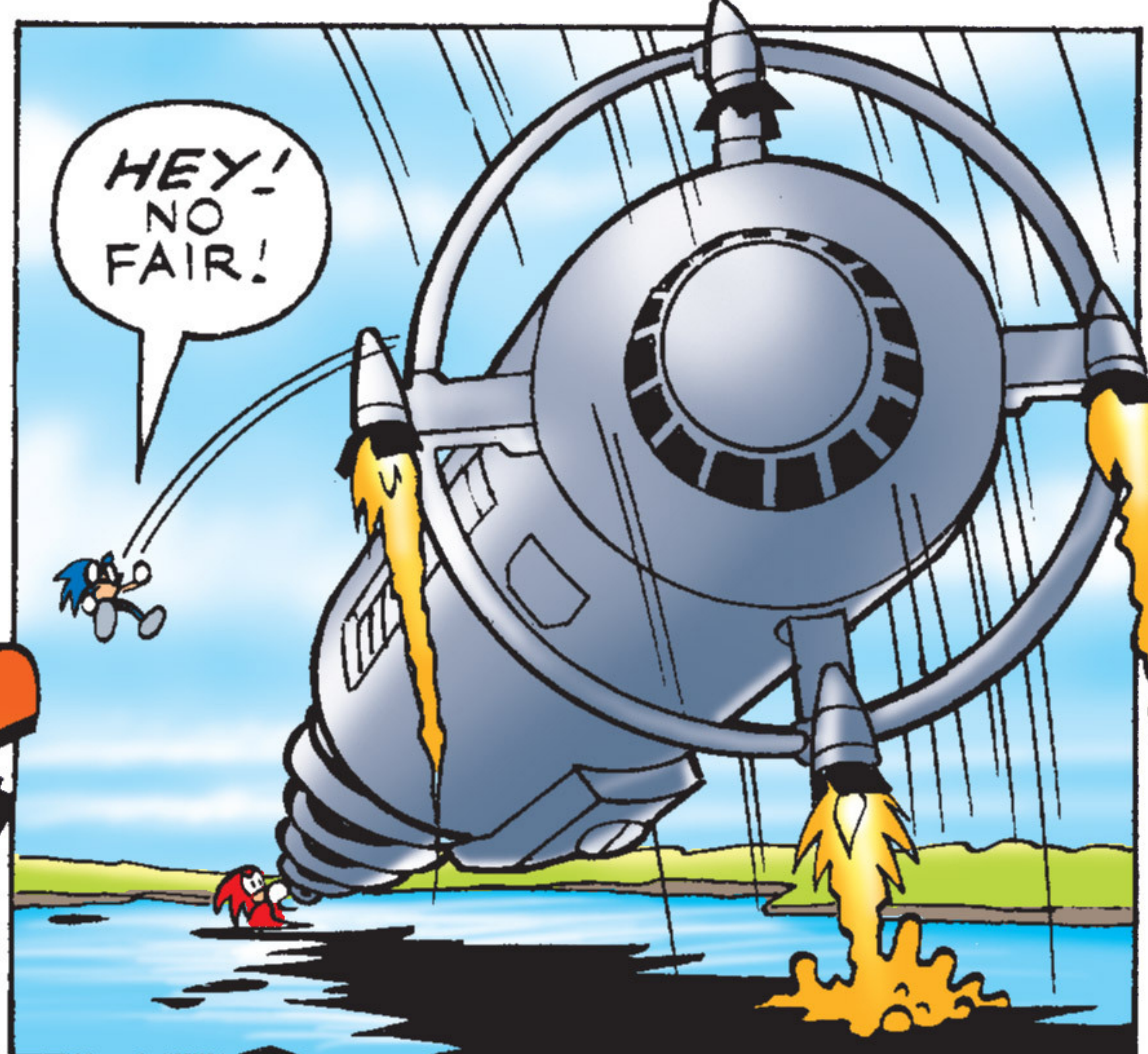
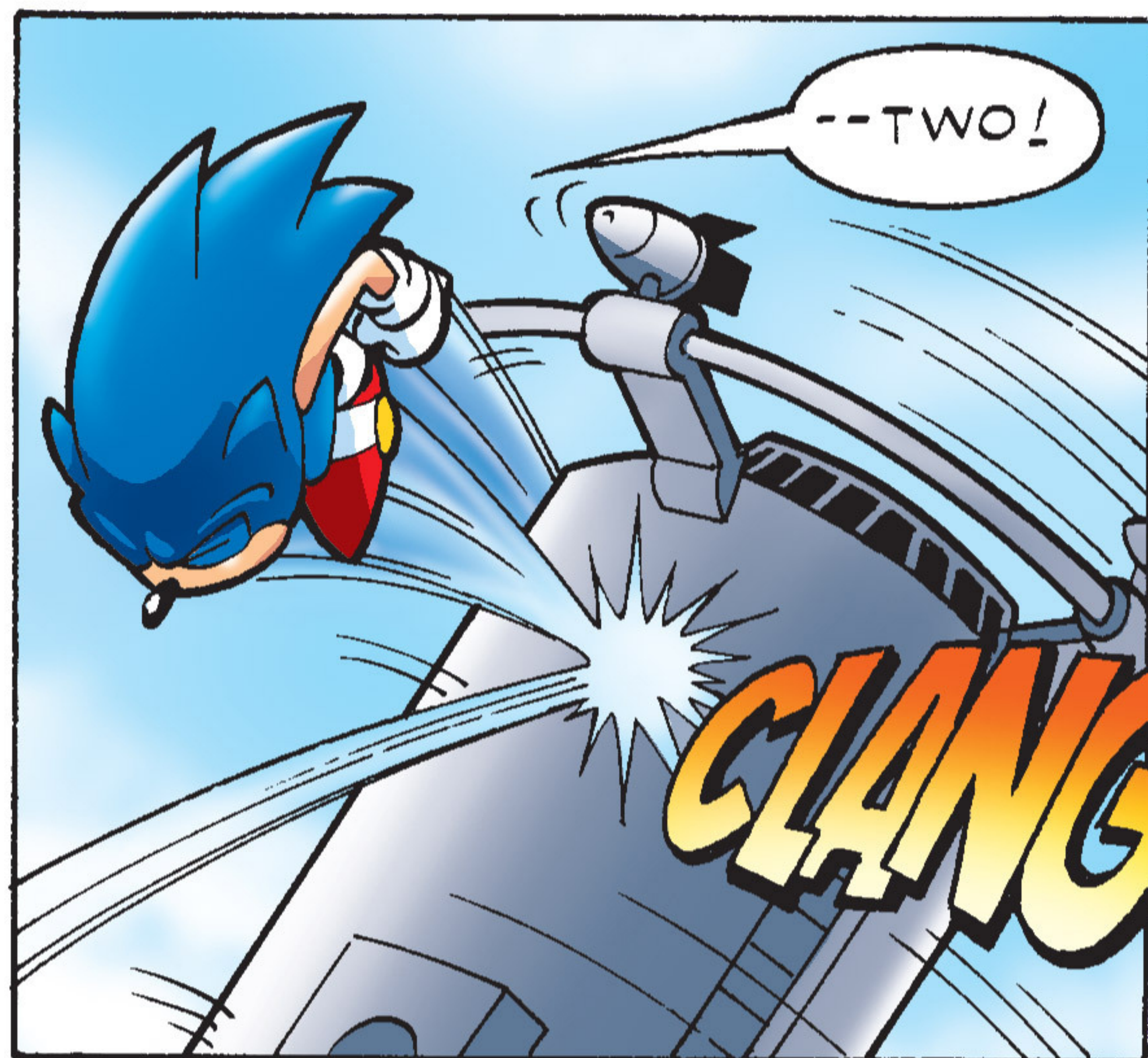
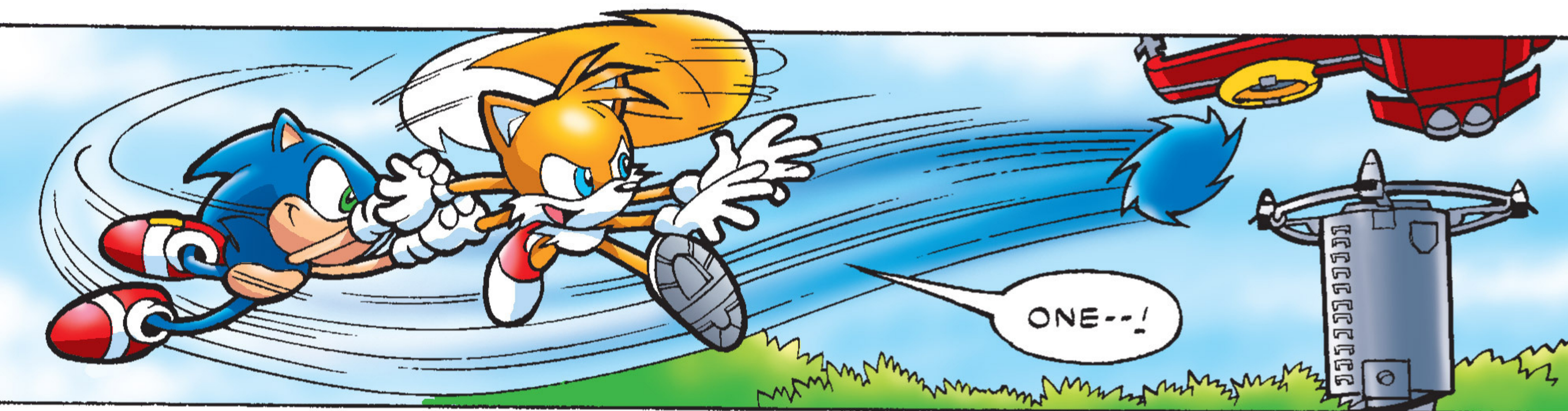
...DID I ALREADY ASK ABOUT MAGIC RINGS?

YES. AND NO.

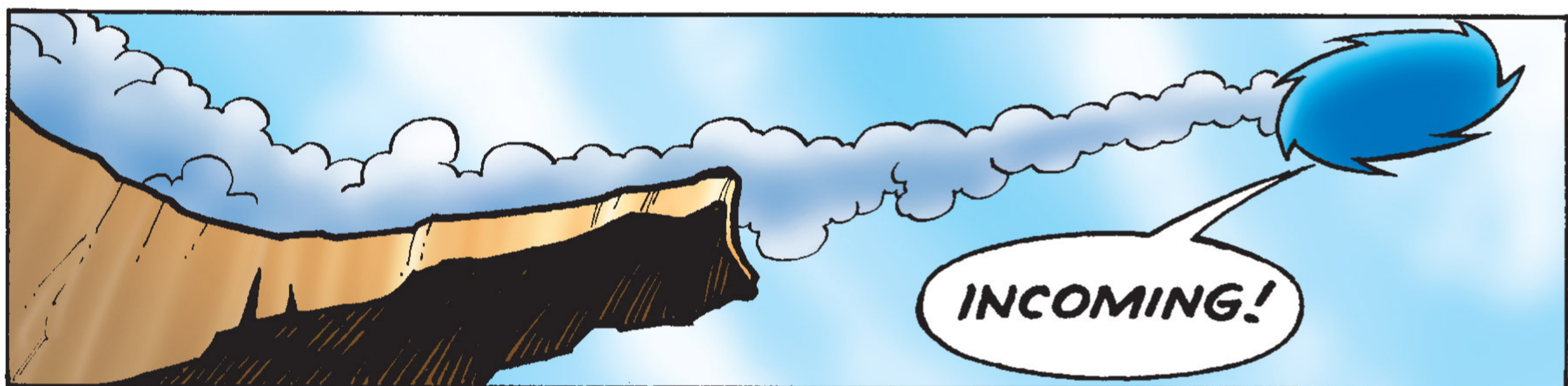
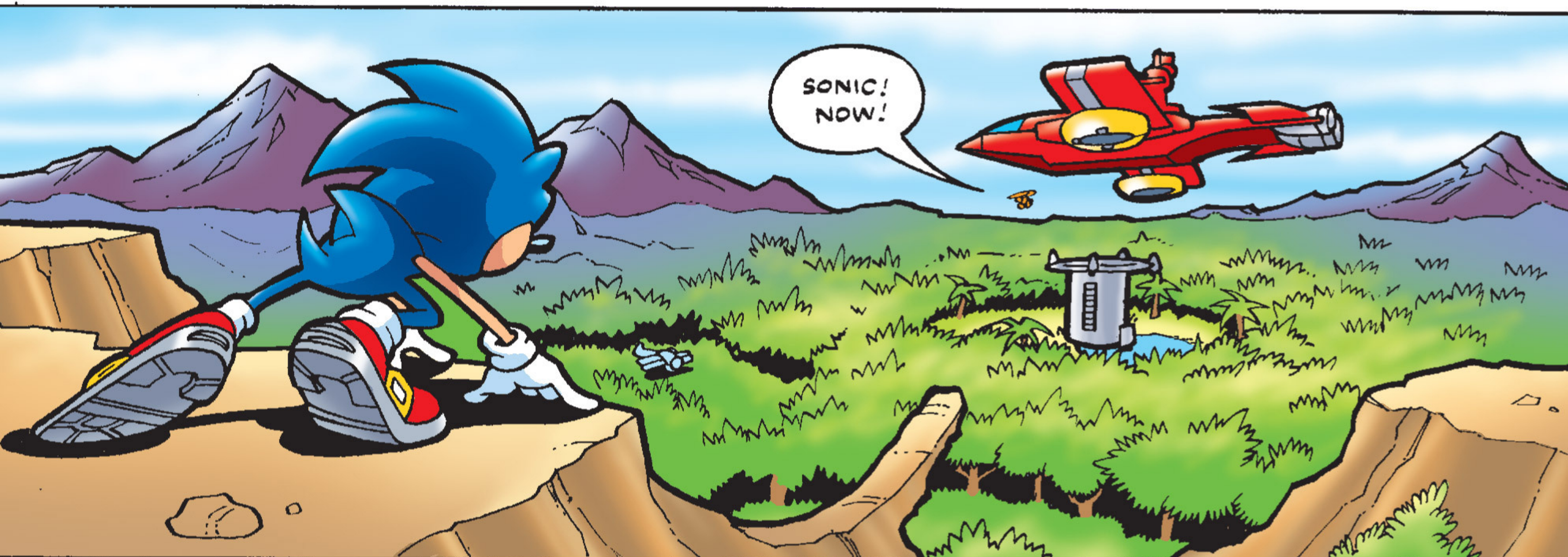
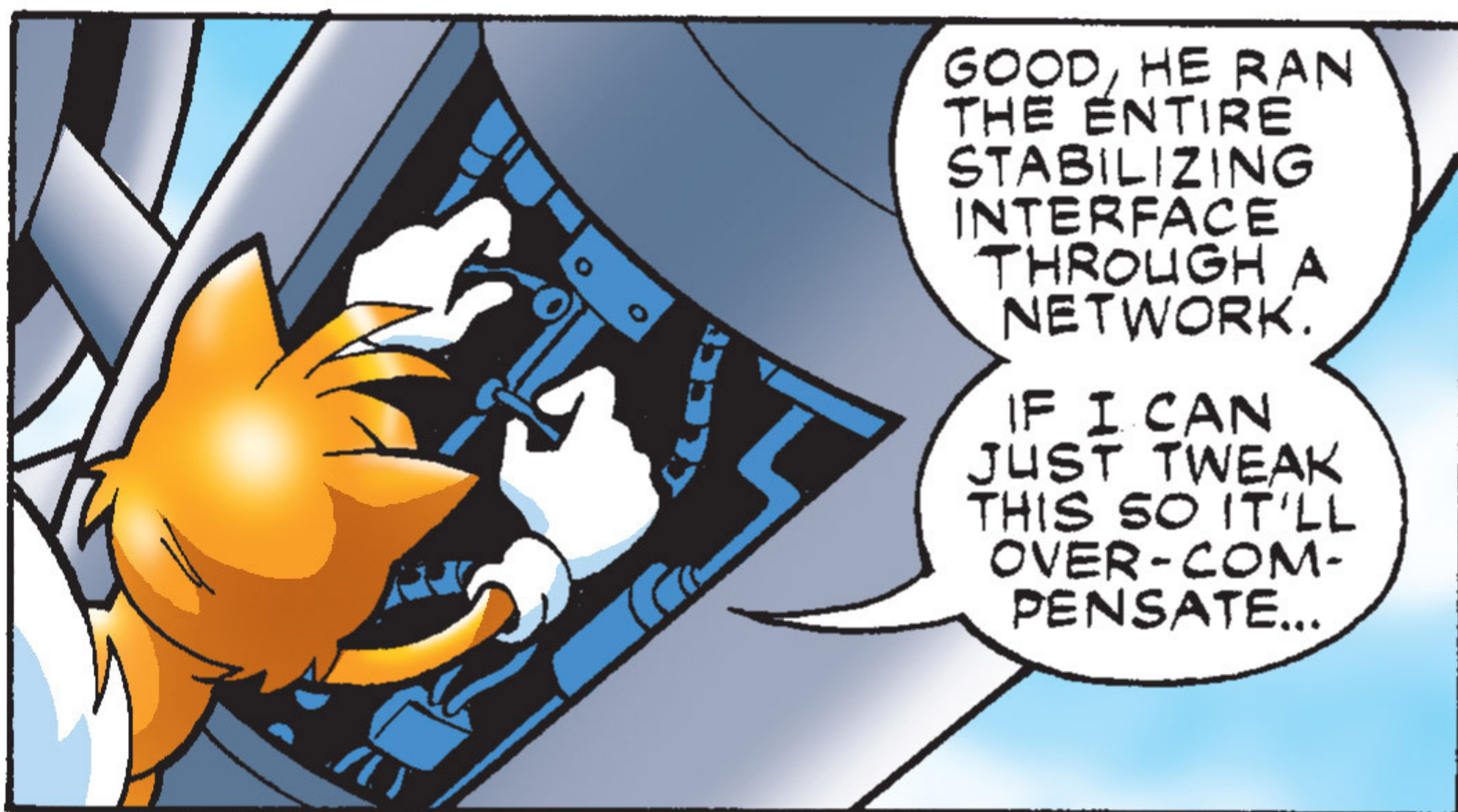
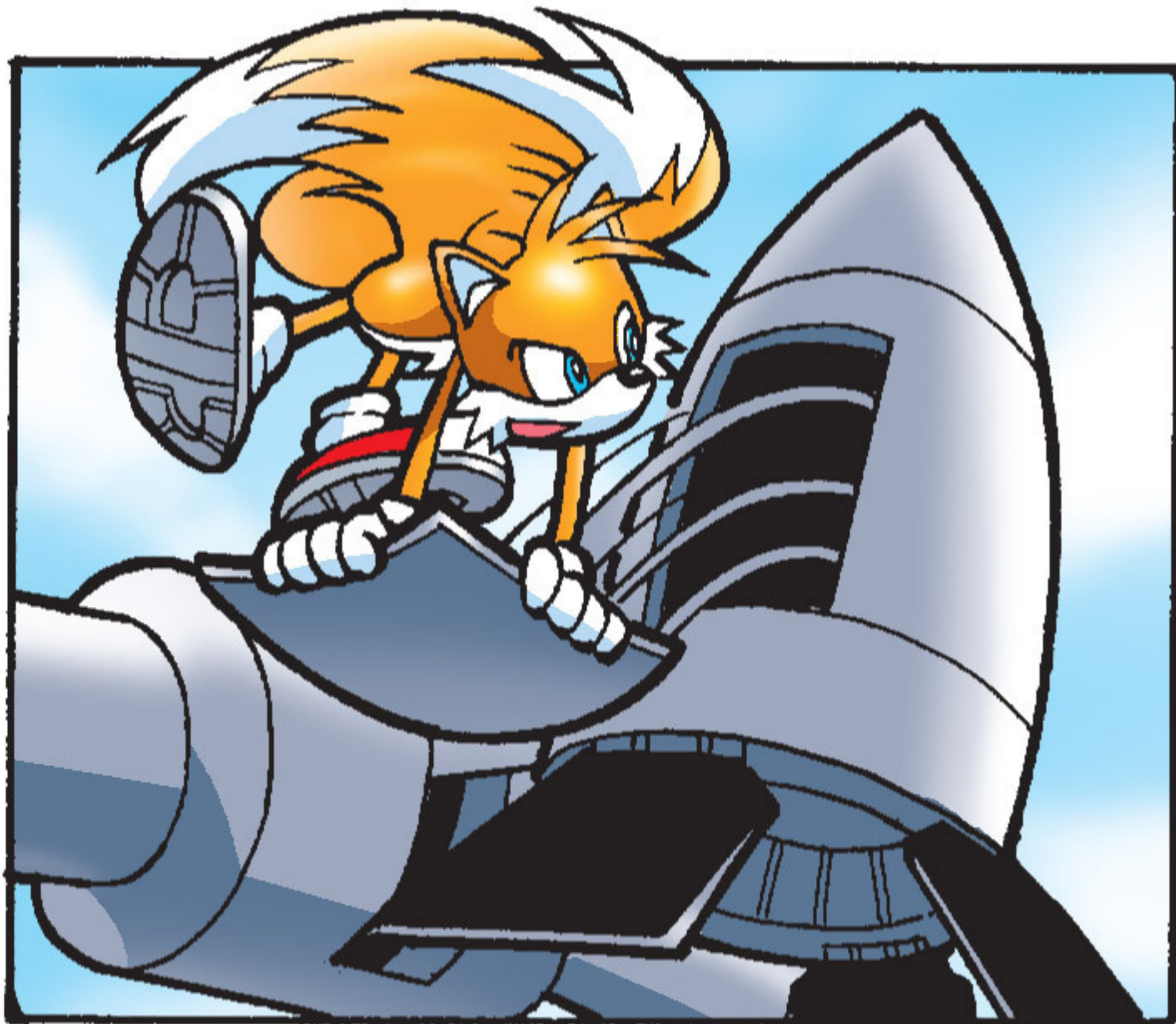




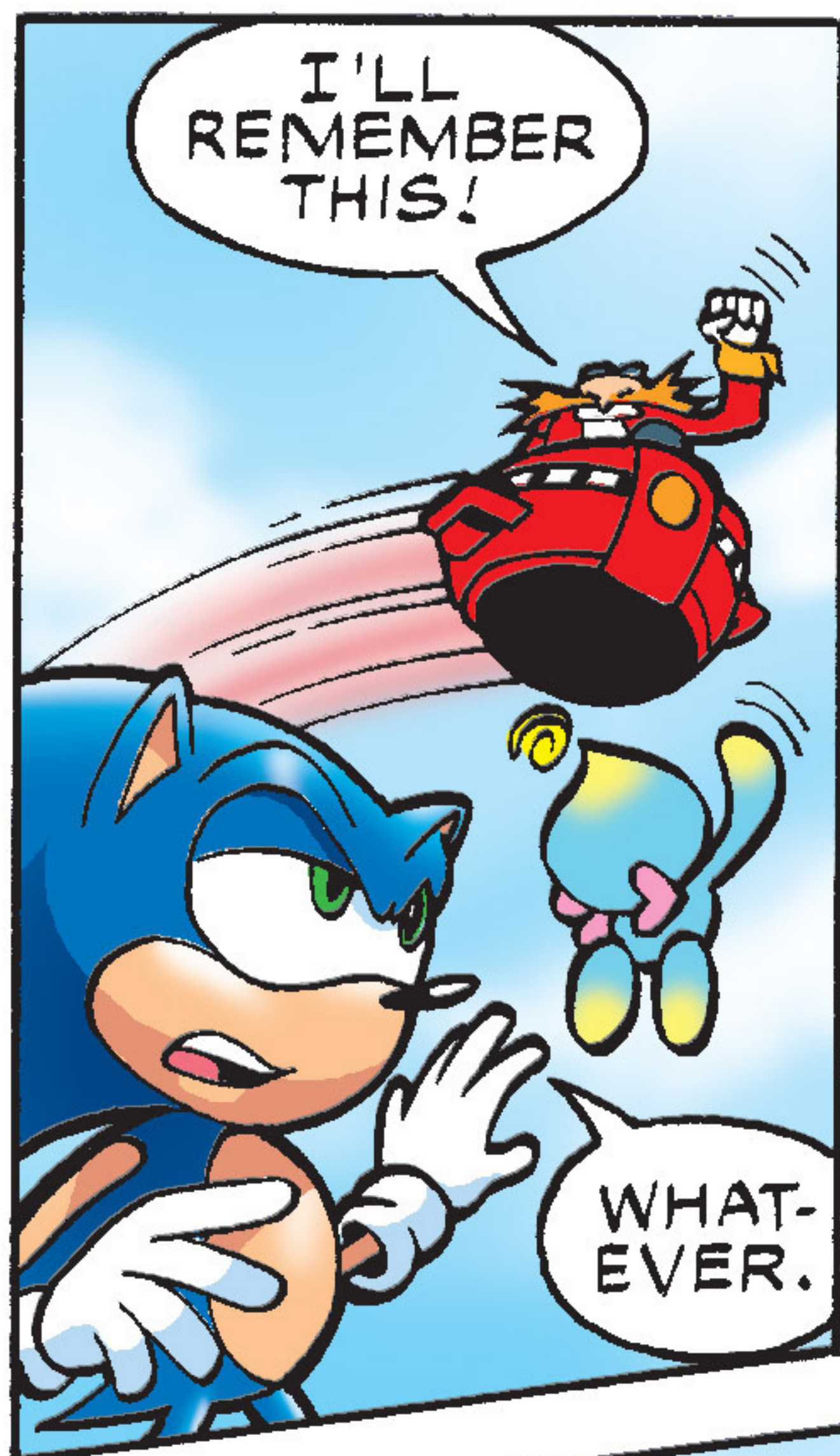












I'LL REMEMBER THIS!

WHAT-EVER.



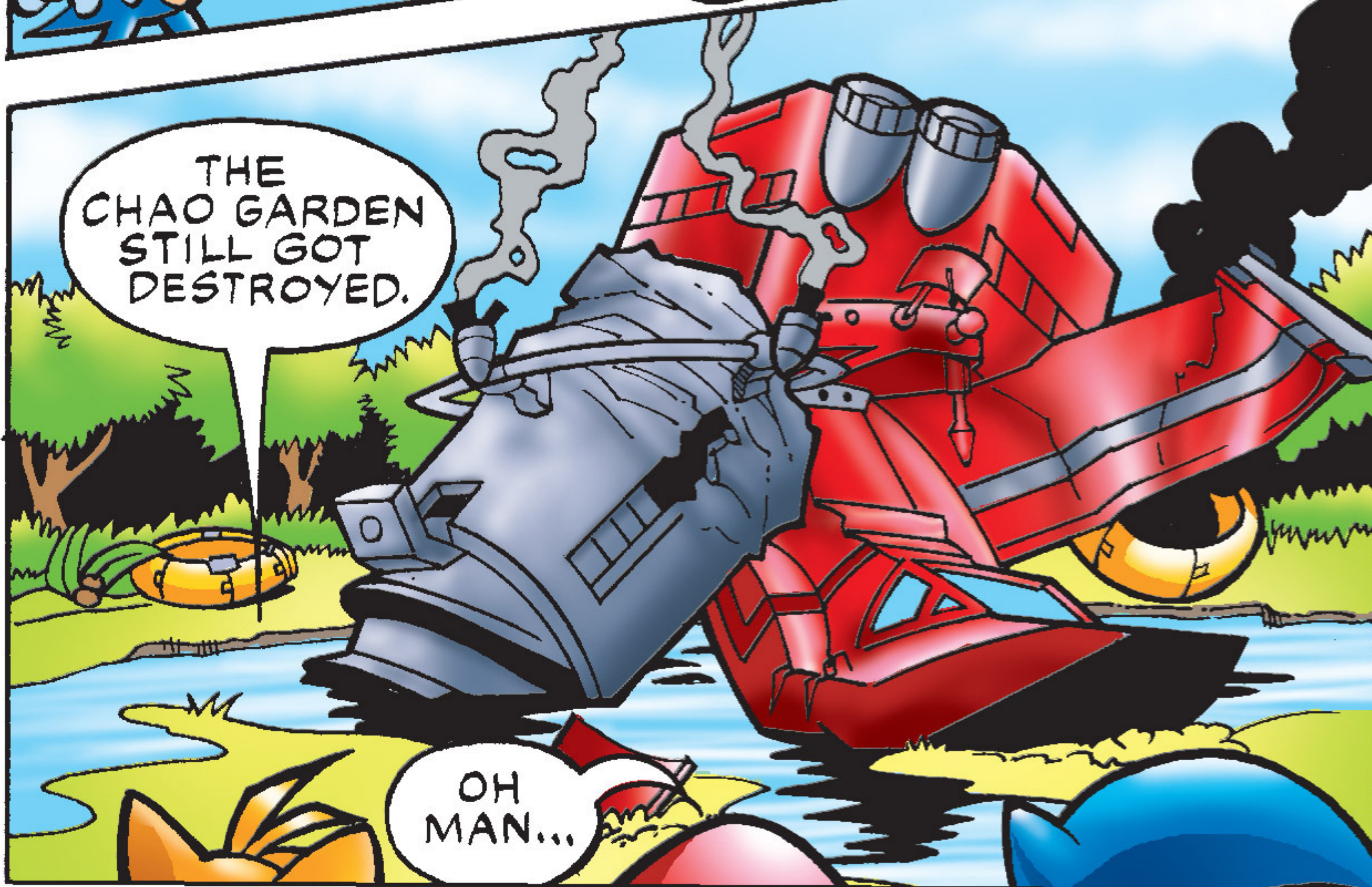
WE BAD!

WE BAD!

'CAUSE IF I BAD AND YOU BAD...

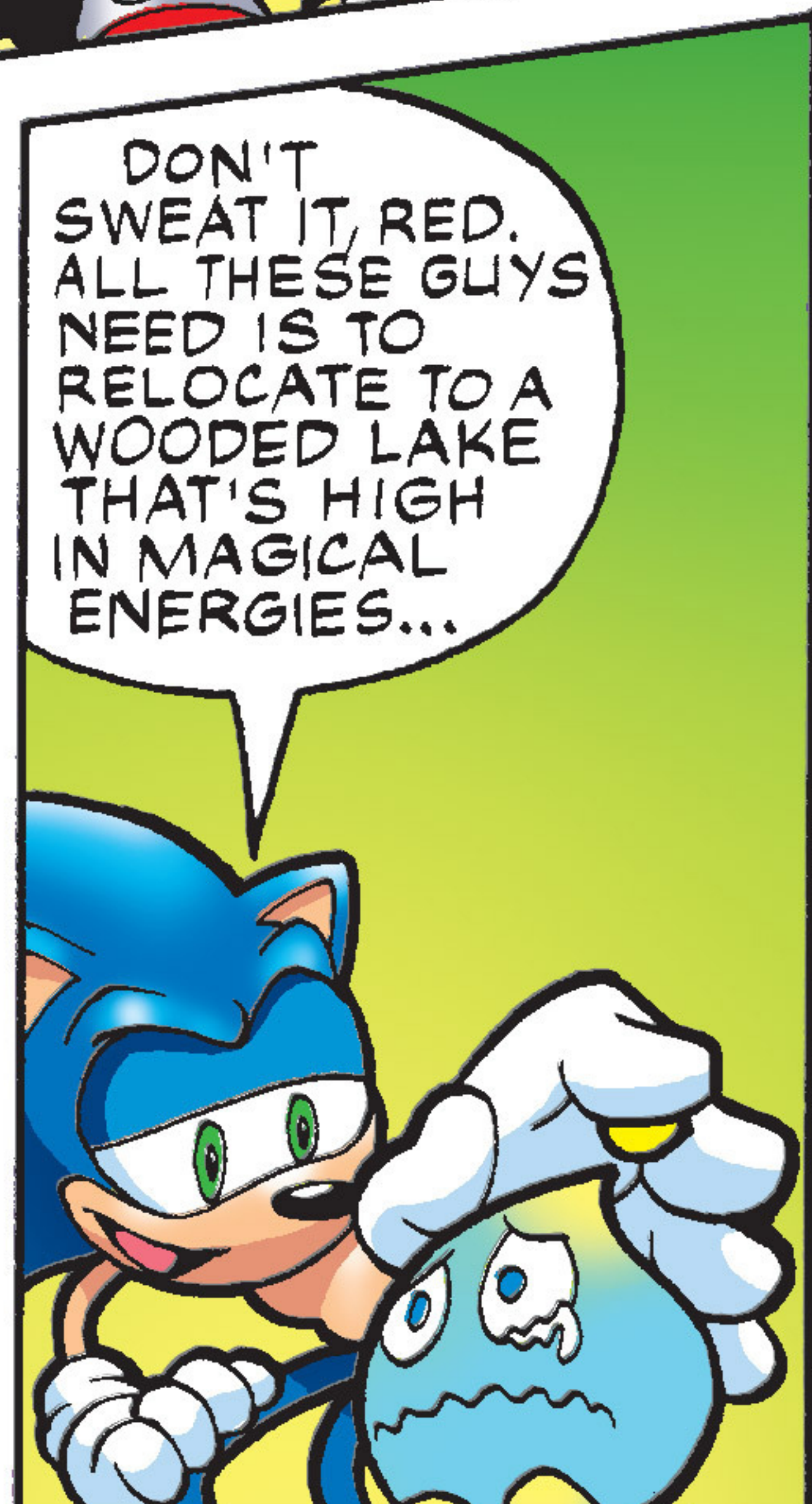
THEN WE BAD...

UH... GUYS...

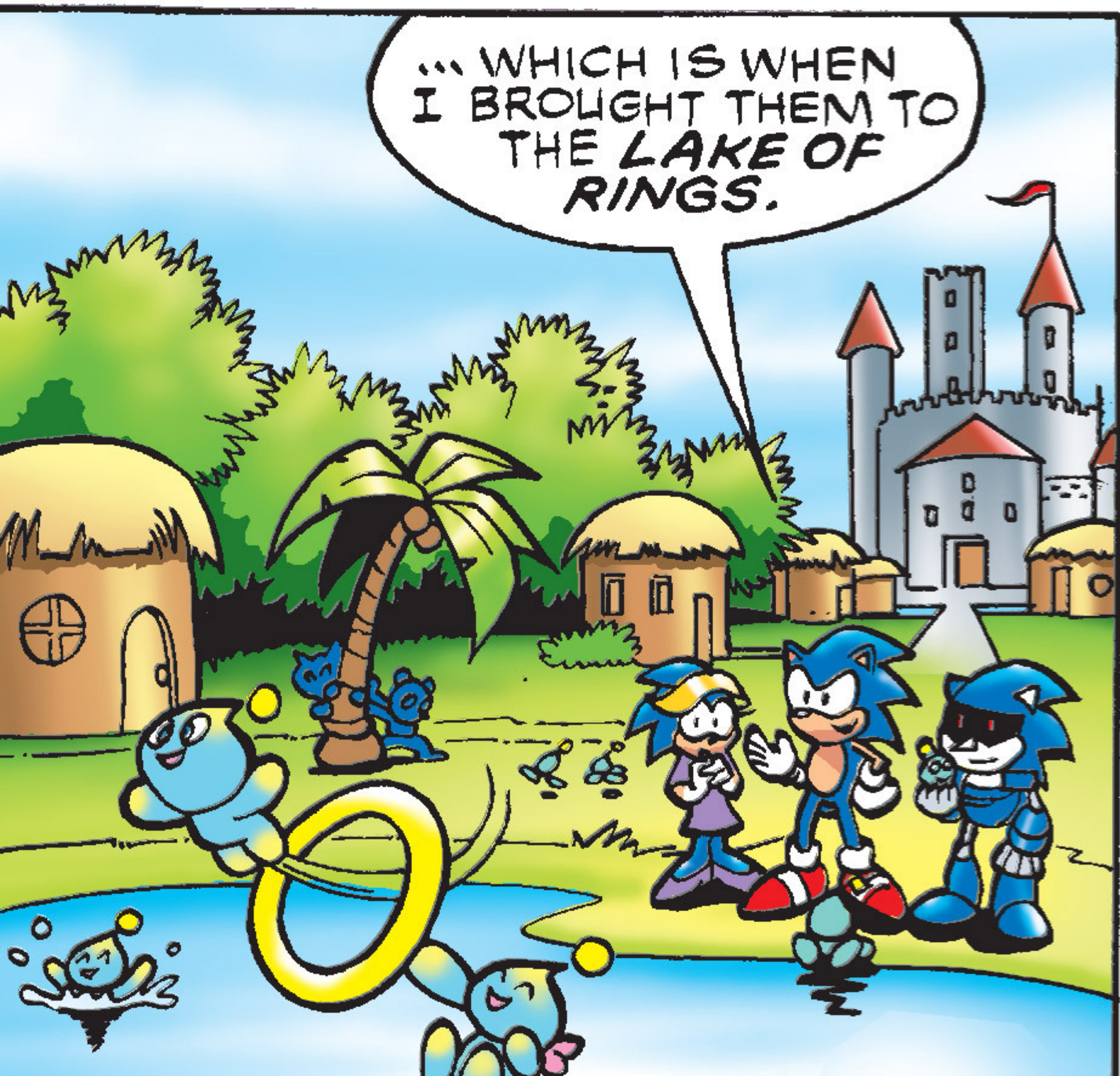


THE CHAO GARDEN STILL GOT DESTROYED.

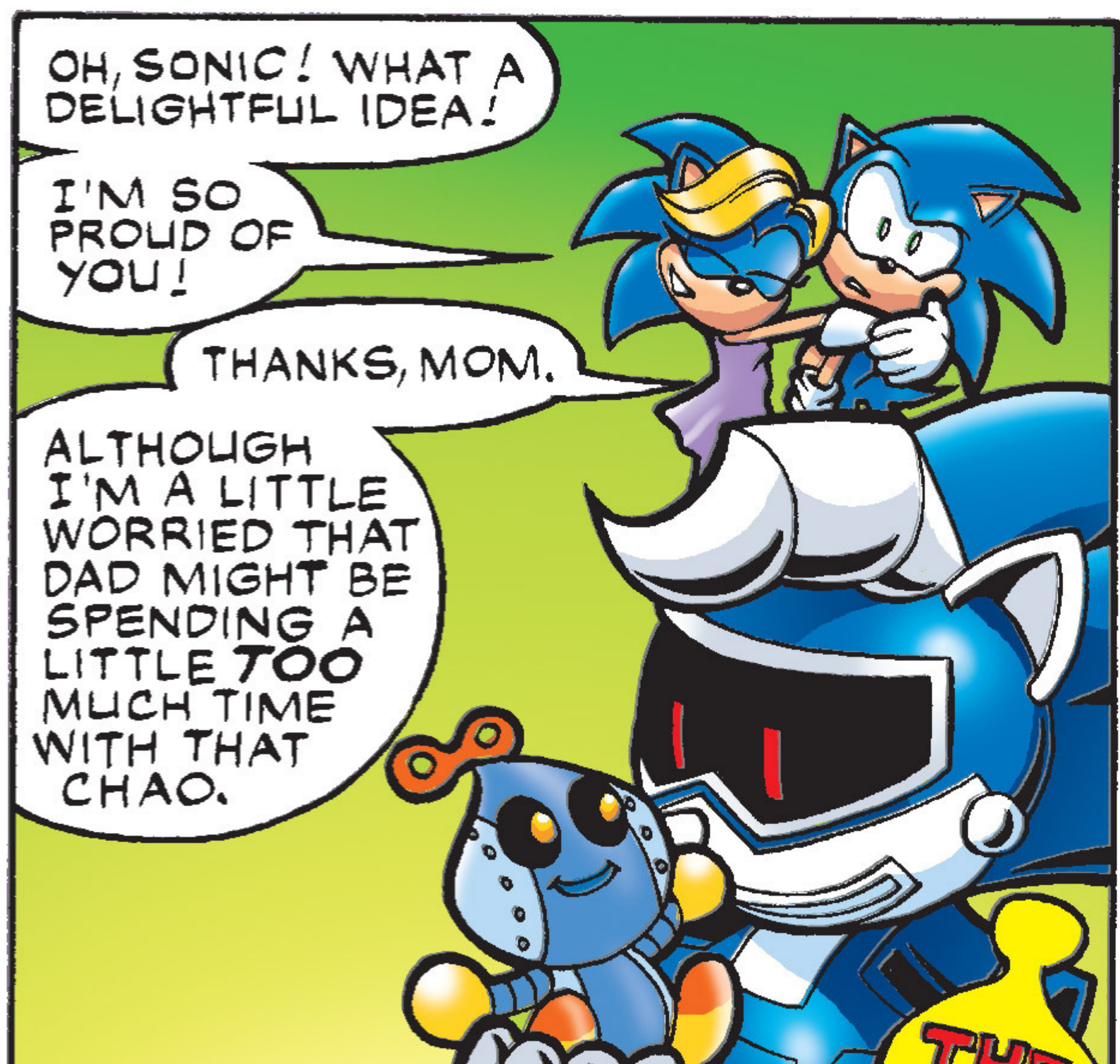
OH MAN...



DON'T SWEAT IT, RED. ALL THESE GUYS NEED IS TO RELOCATE TO A WOODED LAKE THAT'S HIGH IN MAGICAL ENERGIES...



... WHICH IS WHEN I BROUGHT THEM TO THE LAKE OF RINGS.



OH, SONIC! WHAT A DELIGHTFUL IDEA!

I'M SO PROUD OF YOU!

THANKS, MOM.

ALTHOUGH I'M A LITTLE WORRIED THAT DAD MIGHT BE SPENDING A LITTLE TOO MUCH TIME WITH THAT CHAO.

**SONIC VS. EGGMAN! THE ULTIMATE SHOWDOWN!**  
**SONIC # 175 IS NOT TO BE MISSED!**

**THE END**

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